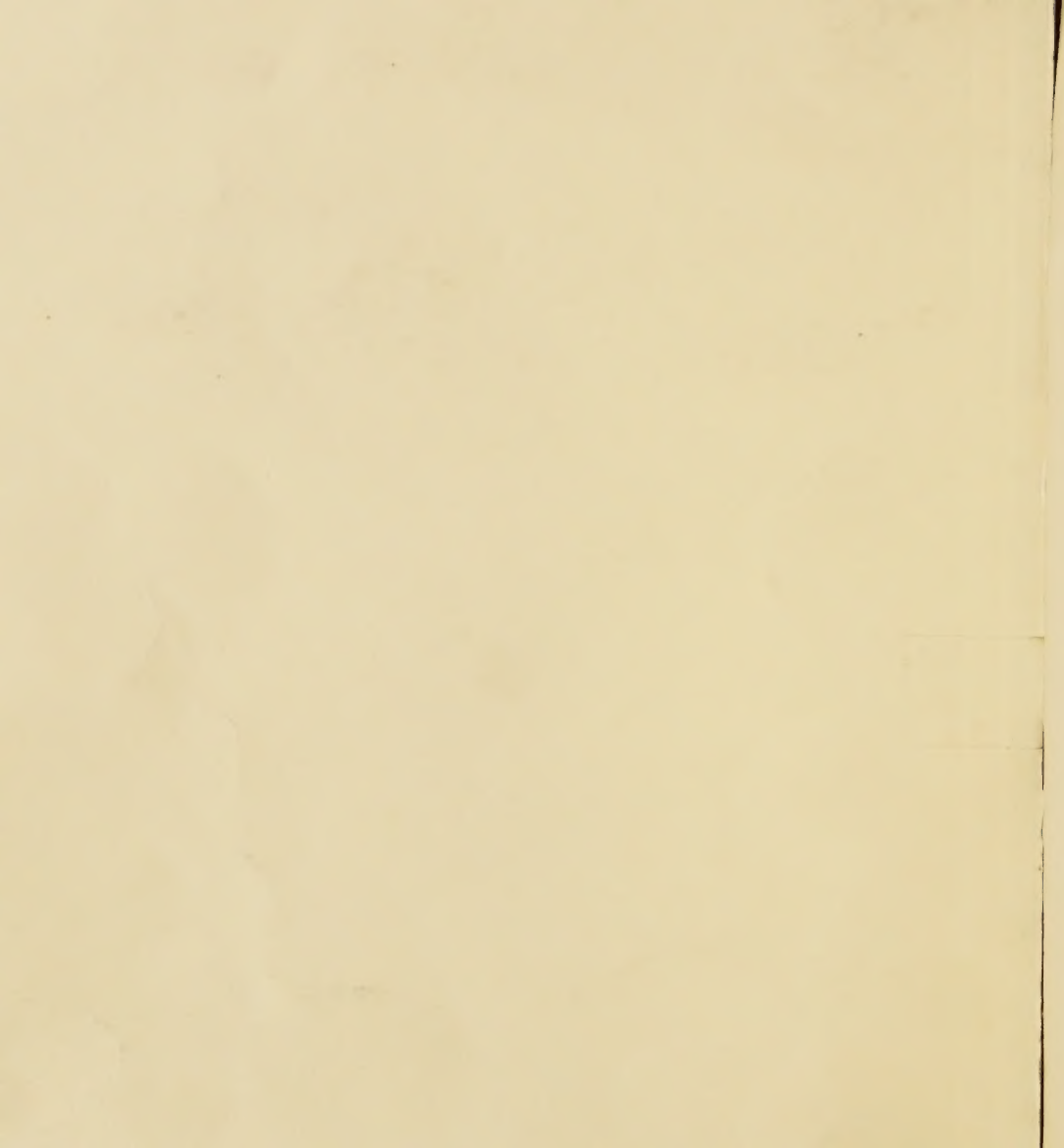
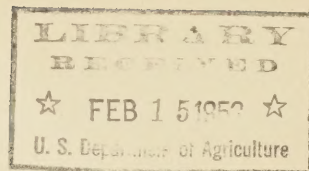


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White Flower Farm

On Route #63

LITCHFIELD, CONNECTICUT

1952



About This Catalogue—a New Planning and Planting Service—and Ordering Early.

PLEASE save this catalogue for fall use—no other listing of this material will be published during 1952. In July we will send customers a complete Flowering Bulb Catalogue which will also contain some material, like Peonies, which can be planted only in autumn. You will find several new varieties in this listing. There are not many simply because really worthwhile and truly different new plants are rare. We particularly call your attention to the Hybrid Peonies on page 9. They are so scarce that we cannot deliver them until the fall of 1953 when less than 100 will be available for sale.

WHITE Flower Farm's Planning & Planting Service for local customers was inaugurated last fall. Planning is one of the principal concerns of John Tonkin, The Farm's General Manager and an expert landscape architect. He will work out a landscape plan for your property—a project which either can be consummated at once or used as a target for an ultimate planting.

This is no ordinary landscape service—it is a study of your home in its environment that will bring out its architectural details, not hide them. He can also supply you with planting details for a perennial border. Unlike ordinary landscape services (they supply plans without charge if you purchase the material from them) there is a nominal charge for this service. It's better this way—you know there is no "loading" charge on the planting material you buy to pay for the plan; besides that you are under no obligation and can buy your plants or trees anywhere. Mr. Tonkin will give you a firm estimate on a plan before he makes it.

Planting means that we will move, reconstruct or plant anything you want moved or planted. If you use White Flower Farm plants we guarantee the planting through the next growing season.

THE gardener, near or far away, who orders before March 1 invariably gets the best service. He gets this premium plant stock in the ground earlier because his orders are shipped first. He also has a good chance of

getting what he orders—or, if we can't supply an item due to crop failure or some other unforeseen circumstance, the early orderer knows about it in time to get the needed material elsewhere.

Local customers should order early, too. Our Connecticut, New York and Massachusetts customers will find it to their advantage to use the enclosed blue order form instead of waiting and coming to the Farm. It might, for example, save a trip because we cannot dig on-the-spot orders during the busy season. We dig for local orders on Monday and Friday for delivery at The Farm Tuesday and Saturday, and no exceptions can be made to this rule because shipping and planting must be scheduled. Of course, Evergreens, Flowering Shrubs and Trees, Roses and many of the Flowering Plants are potted in *Easimoves* and they can be carried away easily enough, but bare-root stock, because of the reasons above, can be delivered only on the days specified.

We hate to be arbitrary about anything but this business of getting stuff out of the ground, and into it, in two short spring and fall months, is a very demanding business. If we didn't make rules like these and stick to them it would mean we'd get nothing done, which in turn could mean we would have no income taxes to pay—which is bad, any way you look at it.

The Partners of White Flower Farm

Flower Shows At The Farm

Roses—Many hundreds in bloom from June to mid-July. **Daffodils and Tulips**—These are in bloom from earliest spring to mid-June—almost 300 varieties. **Iris**—German Iris in massed field plantings in mid-June. **Japanese Iris**—In July. **Peonies**—Mass field plantings are in bloom in June. **Delphinium**—Spectacular during mid-June and early July. **Lilies**—Specimen planting at The Sales Center blooming from June until mid-September. **Chrysanthemums**—This big show (about 7,500 plants) starts in mid-September and is at its height during October. **Flowering Trees & Shrubs**—Earliest spring through September.

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The Rose Collection

This is a highly selected list, by colors, of what we have found the best in Hybrid Tea, Floribunda and Climbing Roses. White Flower Farm chooses a new rose, not because it is new, but because it is better than an old one. All are hardy, of simple culture, of abundant bloom. Bareroot Roses are not shipped after April 15 and we do not sell Roses in the fall. The reasons are sound from a Rose's point of view—it should be in the ground as early in the spring as possible and never be subjected to warm November Indian Summer weather. Because these Roses are grown specially for us by a producer who is just as fussy about quality as we are, the supply is limited. Complete cultural directions with each order. The following prices are for bareroot stock; Roses growing in Easimoves are available at The Sales Center at the per each price plus 50 cents.



HYBRID TEA ROSES

These produce specimen blooms and most make wonderful cut flowers. Teas bloom from June until frost.

WHITE TEAS

- Blanche Mallerin** Each \$1.75, Three \$4.65, Doz. \$18.60
Alabaster white and fragrant. Petals have satin sheen. (Patented)
- Sleigh Bells** Each \$2.00, Three \$5.25, Doz. \$21.00
Tremendous white, fragrant blooms. Heavy glossy green foliage. (Patented)

THE RED TEAS

- Charlotte Armstrong** Each \$2.25, Three \$6.00, Doz. \$24.00
Blood-red in bud, opens to cerise in hot weather, to spectrum red in cool. Never shows center, 3 to 4 inches in diameter. (1940 award; patented)
- Etoile de Hollande** Each \$1.35, Three \$3.75, Doz. \$13.50
Brilliant and enormous red blooms and petals. Clean center when fully open. Very fragrant and free flowering.
- Crimson Glory** Each \$1.75, Three \$4.65, Doz. \$18.60
Vivid crimson shaded ox-blood red. Petals have velvety nap. (Patented)

- Forty-niner** Each \$2.00, Three \$5.25, Doz. \$21.00
Brilliant bi-color red. Inside of petals is vivid oriental-red, aging to cherry-red. Outside is rich chrome-yellow sometimes overlaid with pink. (Patented)
- Heart's Desire** Each \$1.75, Three \$4.65, Doz. \$18.60
Deep red with dark crimson shadings. Free flowering and fragrant. (1941 award; patented)
- New Yorker** Each \$2.00, Three \$5.25, Doz. \$21.00
Scarlet with deeper red undertones. Has rich velvet sheen. Very heavy bloomer even during hot weather. (Patented)
- Nocturne** Each \$1.75, Three \$4.65, Doz. \$18.60
Cardinal red with shadings of crimson. (1946 award; patented)
- Red Radiance** Each \$1.35, Three \$3.75, Doz. \$13.50
A sport of Radiance that is bright cerise in color.
- San Fernando** Each \$1.75, Three \$4.65, Doz. \$18.60
Vermillion buds open fully to double flowers of vermillion-scarlet. Intense and lasting fragrance. (Patented)
- Tom Breneman** Each \$2.00, Three \$5.25, Doz. \$21.00
A lasting coral-red, heaviest of producers, intense and lasting fragrance. (Patented)

THE PINK TEAS

- Capistrano** Each \$2.25, Three \$6.00, Doz. \$24.00
Translucent, glowing rose-pink. Vigorous and fragrant. Does not fade. (1950 award; patented)
- Countess Vandal** Each \$1.50, Three \$4.00, Doz. \$15.00
Brilliant pink and salmon. Buds orange copper.
- Douglas MacArthur** Each \$1.75, Three \$4.65, Doz. \$18.60
Rose, gold and salmon blended into a color that is pink to many people. (Patented)
- Hedda Hopper (new)** Each \$2.00, Three \$5.25, Doz. \$21.00
Delicate pink with an equally delicate perfume. (Patented)
- Helen Traubel (1952 award winner)** Each \$2.75
Clear pastel tones of pink to apricot, even to orange at times. One of the three award winners we chose in the 1952 contest. (Patented)
- Katherine T. Marshall** Each \$1.75, Three \$4.65, Doz. \$18.60
Warmly pink in bloom, coral-pink suffused with yellow in bud. (Patented)
- Mission Bells** Each \$2.25, Three \$6.00, Doz. \$24.00
Deep salmon buds opening to clear shrimp-pink. (1950 award; patented)
- Radiance** Each \$1.35, Three \$3.75, Doz. \$13.50
Carmine-pink with salmon-pink and yellow basal petal shadings.
- Santa Anita** Each \$1.50, Three \$4.00, Doz. \$15.00
Peach blossom-pink and sunfast. Very early bloomer. (Patented)
- Tallyho** Each \$2.00, Three \$5.25, Doz. \$21.00
A remarkable bi-color predominately pink. Large growing, heavy blooming plant. (Patented)

YELLOW TO GOLDEN TEAS

- Eclipse** Each \$1.75, Three \$4.65, Doz. \$18.60
Golden yellow. Buds often exceed 2 inches in length. Heavy bloomer. Superior cut rose. (Patented)
- Fred Howard (1952 champion award)** Each \$2.75
Vigorous plants sometimes attaining a height of 4 feet; heavy lustrous green foliage; 50-petal yellow blooms on long, strong stems. During the fall the yellow is washed with overtones of burnished gold and copper.
- Lowell Thomas** Each \$1.75, Three \$4.65, Doz. \$18.60
Chrome or deep-yellow blooms sometimes 4 inches in diameter. (1944 award; patented)

Peace Each \$2.25, Three \$6.00, Doz. \$24.00

Cameleon-like flower opening yellow, edged pink, deepening in tone as bloom matures. Long lasting, heavy blooming — deserving of its title "Rose of This Century". (Patented)

Sutter's Gold Each \$2.25, Three \$6.00, Doz. \$24.00

Yellow shaded coppery giving it true golden effect. (1950 award; patented)

BLENDING TEAS

Butterscotch Each \$1.75, Three \$4.65, Doz. \$18.60

Petals outside are a soft and pale orange-yellow; inside they change from lemon-chrome at the base to pale yellow-orange pencilled lightly orange-buff. (Patented)

Hilltop Each \$1.75, Three \$4.65, Doz. \$18.60

Color upon opening is buff. It remains buff in the center but the outer edges turn pale pinkish-buff. (Patented)

Talisman Each \$1.35, Three \$3.75, Doz. \$13.50

Brilliant red and gold buds opening to scarlet-orange and rich yellow. Constant bloomer.

FLORIBUNDA ROSES

This group of Cluster Roses is the best for massed planting. They are husky, sturdy, hardy—grow from 2½ to 3 feet tall. They are continuous bloomers and should be planted on 14-inch centers in blending colors to get the best effect. Clump three to five of a variety.

RED TONES

Connie Mack (new) Each \$2.00, Three \$5.25, Doz. \$21.00

Dark, velvety crimson clusters of thirty or more small perfectly formed roses. Sturdy and disease resistant. (Patented)

Floradora Each \$1.35, Three \$3.75, Doz. \$13.50

A gay cinnabar-red.

Glorious Each \$1.50, Three \$4.00, Doz. \$15.00

Deep vermilion buds expanding into semi-double flowers of Tyrian rose. (Patented)

Improved Lafayette Each \$1.35, Three \$3.75, Doz. \$13.50

Deep red bloom suffused crimson.

World's Fair Each \$1.50, Three \$4.00, Doz. \$15.00

Large velvet-like blooms of blackish scarlet with golden center. (Patented)



PINK TONES

Crown of Jewels Each \$1.50, Three \$4.00, Doz. \$15.00

Coral-rose; excels as cut flower. (Patented)

Fashion Each \$2.00, Three \$5.25, Doz. \$21.00

Luminous coral-pink overlaid with gold. Colors lighten, then darken with age. (1949 award; patented)

Rosenelfe Each \$1.50, Three \$4.00, Doz. \$15.00

Dainty La-France-pink. Excellent for cutting.

Vogue (1952 award, new)

Each \$2.25, Three \$6.00, Doz. \$24.00

Iridescent, glowing rose flushed with salmon. Individual flowers 3 to 4 inches in diameter. Excellent cut flowers.

YELLOW TONES

Bright Eyes Each \$1.50, Three \$4.00, Doz. \$15.00

Canary yellow buds turn to shimmering, silvery yellow open flowers. (Patented)

Goldilock Each \$1.50, Three \$4.00, Doz. \$15.00

When in bloom, and that is constantly, the bush is a golden yellow mass. (Patented)

WHITE TONES

Summer Snow Each \$1.50, Three \$4.00, Doz. \$15.00

This is the most prolific pure white Floribunda with great drifts of blooms covering it until October. A white garden must. (Patented)

CLIMBING ROSES

There are many climbers but most of them are limited to particular localities. These can be grown successfully any place but in extremely cold climates the canes should be protected lightly.

Blaze Each \$1.50, Three \$4.00, Doz. \$15.00

Hardy, largely everblooming blazing crimson.

Paul's Scarlet Climber

Each \$1.50, Three \$4.00, Doz. \$15.00

Scarlet-red and semi-double flowers. Grown on their own root which eliminates trouble with suckers.

Dream Girl (new) Each \$2.50, Three \$6.60, Doz. \$26.50

A new everblooming coral-pink climber of great merit. (Patented)

Inspiration (new) Each \$2.50, Three \$6.60, Doz. \$26.50

Sparkling light pink tones. (Patented)

New Dawn Each \$1.50, Three \$4.00, Doz. \$15.00

Soft pink flowers in bloom continuously.

Gold Rush Each \$1.75, Three \$4.65, Doz. \$18.60

Vigorous golden-yellow climber.

Silver Moon Each \$1.50, Three \$4.00, Doz. \$15.00

Large (4.5 inch) semi-double cupped flowers with golden centers.

TREE ROSES

Plant as specimens or between other roses in the rose garden. Special planting and wintering instructions must be followed to get the best results. They accompany each order. No Tree Rose orders accepted after March 1. None available after that time. They can be purchased in the following varieties: Capistrano, Heart's Desire, Mirandy and Peace.

Bareroot, Each \$6.25; Potted at The Sales Center, \$7.75 each.

Visit Litchfield Village

Litchfield is one of America's most beautiful small towns and if you haven't seen it, maybe you should. We boast a fine Inn, The Westleigh. Another attraction—one of New England's best Antique shops, Floyd Thoms'. All this and White Flower Farm (3.5 miles south of Litchfield on #63).

The Flowering Plants

This is the stuff perennial borders are made of. The word perennial, as applied to flowering plants like these, does not mean forever—it means these plants have a long life. Some, like an established peony, last for 25 years or more; others bloom their heads off for two or three years, get root bound and die. But in between these extremes you get lasting beauty if you pay any attention to a perennial border, and, if it's properly planted, there will be a succession of bloom from early spring to late fall.

For those who prefer a white border we have a white variety of the species if it is available in a sturdy form. The range of colored varieties is tremendous—we have stayed away from only one color, magenta; it goes with nothing including itself.

Soils for perennial plantings should be well drained, rich in phosphate and phosphorus (for root and strong stalk development), moderately rich in nitrogen (you want flowers, not great masses of over-grown green leaves). Our stock is all top-size and absolutely free from disease.

ALYSSUM

(Basket of Gold or Madwort)

Plant in ordinary, well drained soil. Use in groups of three in the rock garden or as border edging. Blooms with tulips.

Saxtile Citrinum Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
Clusters of pale yellow flowers.

Saxtile Compactum Three \$1.50, Doz. \$4.75
Ditto, but bright yellow flowers.

AQUILEGIA (Columbine)

These strains are all hybrids, long-spurred. They make excellent cut flowers, bloom over a period of 4 to 6 weeks beginning in early June. Use ordinary cultural procedures. All columbine are strong field grown clumps.

Chrysanth Silver Queen Three \$1.50, Doz. \$4.75
Pure white. Height: 24-30 inches.

Crimson Star Three \$1.50, Doz. \$4.75
Long crimson spurs, centers white tinged with red.



Mrs. Scott Elliott Hybrids Three \$1.50, Doz. \$4.75
Colors range through pastel shades of lavender, blue, red, pink, cream, white. Mixed colors only.

ASTERS

(Michaelmas Daisies)

Perennial or hardy asters grow in any soil; stand up under the toughest treatment. They require full sun and lots of water. Plant fall or spring, 2 feet apart. There are scores of varieties; these have the best colors and habits of growth. All are covered with flowers from September to frost.

Harrington's Pink Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
A silvery flower, truly pink. Excellent for cutting. Height: 3-4 feet.

Little Red Boy Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Profuse china-rose flowers. Height: 18-24 inches.

Princess Margaret Each 65c, Three \$1.65, Doz. \$5.25
Somewhat pyramidal in growth, never over 24 inches high. Masses of soft mauve flowers, a glowing pink.

Niobe Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Dwarf (only 6 inches high). Pure white. Compact neat growth.

Plenty Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Delightful semi-double light blue flowers. Height: 3-4 feet.

Victor Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Excellent blue form of Niobe.

CAMPANULA (Bellflower)

A fine group, all in white or blue shades and running from dwarf to 6 feet tall, that goes well in any border. Some bloom continuously from June to October. Culture is not difficult as they need only a moderately rich, well-drained soil.

Carpatica Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
It grows in compact tufts never more than 8 inches high and throws blue blooms vigorously all summer. A perfect edging for the border or rockery.

Carpatica Alba Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
A pure white form of the above.

Grandis Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$6.00
For some strange reason, also called Six Hills Giant. It's a 2½-foot grower, with flower stems covered with pale blue flowers that are star-like and saucer-shaped. Likes shade; heavy multiplier; hardly anywhere.

Persicifolia grandiflora alba Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$6.00
This is a 2-foot white which goes well with Grandis.

Pyramidalis Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75
Produces 4 to 6 foot spikes covered with blue star-shaped flowers. It blooms all summer and is an excellent companion for Delphinium.

CHRYSANTHEMUM MAXIMUM

(The Shasta Daisy)

Use a good rich soil in full sun. Plant 1 foot apart. Divide root stocks every other year to keep plant compact and flowers large.

Majestic Each \$1.00, Three \$2.55, Doz. \$7.25
Immense white flowers, 5 to 6 inches in diameter. Small golden center. Excellent for cutting, blooms June and July. Height: 30 inches.

Mount Shasta Each 95c, Three \$2.35, Doz. \$7.00
Pure white and fully double with a high-crested center. Flowers average four inches across and come singly on stiff, 24-inch stems from spring until frost. Fine for cutting.

Chrysanthemums

This is probably the easiest of all hardy plants to grow and certainly one of the most rewarding. They tolerate neglect but to have them at their best give them full sun, a rich, well-drained soil and water during the heat of summer. To get a sturdy and well-branched plant pinch back the terminal shoots at least twice. In winter cover lightly after the ground is frozen to keep the shallow roots from heaving.

Dates of bloom are for Litchfield. For every 100 miles north subtract two days; add two for every 100 miles south. We collect mums from all over the world; unless otherwise noted these varieties have proved themselves hardy in New England which is to say they will winter successfully nearly anywhere. (Complete cultural directions with each order.)

WHITE AND IVORY TONES

Drifted Snow Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
Fully double white flowers with creamy center. Sept. 15; 24 inches.

Ivory Glow Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
Very large incurved ivory flowers resembling greenhouse varieties. Double. Oct. 3; 24 inches.

Sincerity Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Its 3 inch blooms open pale lavender, turn white immediately. Double. Oct. 1; 30 inches.

North Star Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
Vigorous, very early white, gold center. Single. Sept. 20; 24 inches.

Pepita Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
Most vigorous and heavy blooming button-type white. Creamy center. Sept. 29; 24 inches.

Ivory Spoon Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
Profuse ivory-white spoon-shaped petals. Replaces old White Spoon. Oct. 5; 20 inches.

YELLOW TO GOLDEN

Charles Nye Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
Large double golden yellow, bronze tints on edge of petals. Sept. 20; 30 inches.

Chiquita Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
True lemon-yellow, very compact. Button. Oct. 5; 20 inches.



Yellow Spoon Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
Clear golden-yellow flowers throughout and a beautiful cutflower. Oct. 10; 24 inches.

Lee Powell (new) Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Masses of fluffy Chinese-yellow flowers with slight orange tint at center. Double. Sept. 23; 30 inches.

Golden Rocket (new) Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Bright yellow blooms on tall, stiff stem. Equal to greenhouse varieties in size and keeping qualities when cut.

GOLD TO BRONZE

Burma Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
Sensationally large and heavy double apricot-bronze blooms. Sept. 20; 22 inches.

Mrs. Pierre du Pont Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
Almost a champagne bronze. Has great delicacy. Double. Oct. 5; 28 inches.

Sequoia Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
Richly amber and heavy. Double. Oct. 5; 24 inches.

Olive Longland Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
A delightful pastel of apricot gold shading to pinkish. Double. Oct. 2; 24 inches.

Kathleen Lehman Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Orange-gold shading to a dark reddish center. Double. Sept. 28; 28 inches.

Carnival Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Very large heavy bronze. Double. Oct. 10; 30 inches.

September Bronze Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
Compact, profuse golden-bronze blooms. Button. Sept. 12; 20 inches.

Flaxen Beauty (new) Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Huge 4" Cactus-Dahlia flowers of soft coral-gold and bronze. Oct. 5; 24 inches.

PURPLE TONES

Joan Helen Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
A free-flowering, brilliantly colored plant. True (not magenta) purple with gold center. Semi-double. Sept. 15; 18 inches.

RED TONES

Courageous Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
Large bright crimson blooms. Double. Oct. 1; 24 inches.

Red Velvet Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
Another large bloom with velvet texture and deep red. Double. Oct. 4; 24 inches.

Louise Schling Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
Brick-red with yellow center. An excellent semi-double. Oct. 5; 28 inches.

Cardinal Spoon Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
Cardinal red spoon petals with yellow handles. Oct. 1; 24 inches.

PINK TO LAVENDER TONES

Betty Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
A fine clear pink; darker pink in center. Double. Sept. 28; 28 inches.

Lavender Lady Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
True delicate lavender; very large double flowers. Oct. 8; 30 inches.

Allegro Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
A glowing shrimp-pink. Double. Oct. 7; 22 inches.

Dawn Rose Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Bright pink with touch of rose at center. Double. Oct. 5; 30 inches.

Masquerade (new) Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
A glistening mass of silvery-lavender-rose blooms. Oct. 5; 24 inches.

Winter Sunshine

—house plants do better if you turn a sunlamp on them occasionally during dull winter weather.

ODD AND UNUSUAL CHRYSANTHEMUMS

Many of these are not well known but all have their special beauty. We guarantee only one of them as hardy but all of them can be wintered over in a well-protected cold frame or pit.

Peggy Ann Hoover Each \$1.00, Three \$2.55, Doz. \$7.25
This is a Spider or Bird of Paradise mum with extremely heavy heads of very thin pendulant and curving pink flower petals. Oct. 15; 36 inches.

Bronze Cactus (Patented)
Each \$1.00, Three \$2.55, Doz. \$7.25
Cactus type. Large, fully double blooms with sharply pointed petals. Unfading Indian-copper-bronze with subtle salmon shadings. Sept.; 30 inches.

Yellow Cactus (Patented)
Each \$1.00, Three \$2.55, Doz. \$7.25
Cactus type. Opens delicate apricot-buff. Turns corn yellow with aging.

Polaris Each \$1.00, Three \$2.55, Doz. \$7.25
This is an extremely hardy Northland Daisy. Is like a buff-yellow Shasta Daisy in bloom. Oct.; 30 inches.

Jayeff Each \$1.10, Three \$2.85, Doz. \$7.50
A greenhouse type, deep pink. In late August remove all but four or five stems. When these have thrown buds at least an inch in diameter pinch off all but the best one. This will develop into a flower nearly greenhouse size. Protect from early frost. No shipments after May 1.

DELPHINIUM (Perennial Larkspur) Pacific Coast Hybrids

The California hybridizers, Vetterle & Reinelt, have walked away with the delphinium show—no one has come near equalling the spectacular beauty of their Round Table Series. These hybrids are not as long-lived as *Belladonna* and related varieties and many delphinium fanciers treat them as biennials.

They require excellent drainage and a strongly alkaline soil—dry wood ashes worked into the area a few days before planting is best. Do not overfeed. And do not cover in winter—a thin layer of coal ashes will protect the crowns from slugs. Occasional dusting with sulphur controls leaf black spot. All clumps are strongly grown, two-year-old stock. Height: 4 to 7 feet. Protect flowering spikes from wind, or stake. (Maybe you had better stake anyway.) All bloom in late June or early July.



Astolat	Each 85c, Three \$2.10, Doz. \$6.25
Shades of lavender-pink with black or gold bee.	
Black Knight	Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Doz. \$8.50
Shades of darkest violet with black bee.	
Blue Bird	Each 85c, Three \$2.10, Doz. \$6.25
Shades of medium blue with white bee.	
Blue Jay	Each 85c, Three \$2.10, Doz. \$6.25
Shades from medium to dark blue with black bee.	
Cameliard	Each 85c, Three \$2.10, Doz. \$6.25
Shades of clear lavender with white bee.	
Galahad	Each 85c, Three \$2.10, Doz. \$6.25
Purest white. Flowers about 10 days later.	
Guinevere	Each 85c, Three \$2.10, Doz. \$6.25
Shades of lavender-pink with white.	
King Arthur	Each 85c, Three \$2.10, Doz. \$6.25
Royal purple with white bee.	
Lancelot	Each 85c, Three \$2.10, Doz. \$6.25
Shades of lilac with a white bee.	
Percival	Each 85c, Three \$2.10, Doz. \$6.25
Purest white with black bee. (Flowers with Galahad.)	
Summer Skies	Each 85c, Three \$2.10, Doz. \$6.25
Shades of lightest blues with white bee.	

CHINESE DELPHINIUM

The miniature or so-called dwarf varieties bloom all summer if cut back. Flowers keep a week in water. Culture: same as for Pacifics. First blooms in late June or early July.

Album Grandiflorum	Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Pure white. Height: 24 inches.	
Azure Fairy	Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Soft azure blue. Height: 18 inches.	
Blue Mirror	Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Bright navy blue. Height: 24 inches.	

OTHER DELPHINIUM

These are pretty tough and old favorites. They are mostly single-flowered.

Belladonna	Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Light blue. Long-lasting plant. Initial stalk may reach 5 feet; if kept cut it will bloom all summer.	
Bellamosa	Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
A dark blue <i>Belladonna</i> .	
Blackmore and Langdon Strain	Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Mixed shades reaching 5 feet. Long-lasting plant.	
Wrexham Strain	Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Mixed "Hollyhock" delphinium, tall growing. Plant is long-lasting.	

DIANTHUS (Garden Pinks)

Plant in ordinary garden soil which must contain some lime. Excellent rock garden or border plant. Most varieties bloom continuously starting in mid-June.

Allwoodi Mixed	Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Large single and double flowers. Foliage grey-green forming large mats. Stems 12-15 inches high.	
Beatrice	Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
This is a pure pink flower with cluster habits. Blooms from June to September.	
Her Majesty	Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$6.00
Double. Very large of pure white.	
Silvermine	Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$6.00
An everblooming cluster Garden Pink with pure white flowers. Blooms from June until September.	
Tiny Rubies	Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$6.00
Very compact with miniature pink carnation-like flowers on 4 to 6 inch stems. Excellent for rock gardens.	

Wallace Red Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$6.00
Semi-double crimson red flowers on 12-inch stems. Compact. Blooms all summer.

DICENTRA (Bleeding Heart)

A must in every border and they are easily grown. Dicentra, you will be glad to know, does best in partial shade. Plant in fall or very early spring.

Exima Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
A delightful dwarf with pink flowers over delicate green foliage. Height: 12 inches.

Exima Sweetheart Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
The same with pure white flowers.

Spectabilis Each \$1.10, Three \$2.75, Doz. \$7.50
Old-fashioned and a favorite. It's a fairly tall grower and has long racemes of heart-shaped pink flowers. Plant in clumps about 24 inches apart.

GAILLARDIA (Blanket Flower)

They require a rich, light, well-drained soil to survive the winter. Full sun. They bloom profusely all summer and seem to require no water.

Aurea Pura Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Large yellow flowers on strong stems. Height: 30 inches.

Burgundy Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Wine red. Flowers 3 inches in diameter.

Goblin Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Red and yellow bi-color. Compact growing habit.

Portola Hybrids Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Large flowers; centers dark red. Blends to copper, petals golden tipped.

GYPSOPHILA

(Perennial Baby's Breath)

A rugged plant in well-drained soil. Its flowers form a delicate and beautiful veil. Cut flowers make sensational bouquets by themselves; mixed with other flowers they form background clouds of white or pink. They are tap rooted, cannot be moved. We ship them from 3-inch pots. Don't expect much the first season. After that you can't find a more satisfactory border plant or cut flower. They become big plants—most varieties must be kept at least 2 feet apart.



Bristol Fairy Each 95c, Three \$2.35, Doz. \$7.00

Pure white double flowers. Keep one or two in cutting garden for floral arrangements as Bristol blooms repeatedly if kept cut. Height: 3 feet.

Flamingo Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$6.00
Double pink with habits similar to Bristol Fairy.

Repens Rosy Veil Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$6.00
"Dwarf" double pink, 2 feet high. Longer season of bloom, starts 2 weeks earlier.

HEMEROCALLIS (Day Lilies)

These are of easiest culture; they multiply freely; are permanent and practically free of insects. Study planting dates of varieties listed and order so that you have day lilies blooming from June to September. The hybridizers have gotten to work on the old-fashioned species and now we have varieties from softest yellow to almost fiery red. Move them any time; they are the toughest plants we know about.

August Pioneer Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Doz. \$8.50
Chrome-yellow. Tips of petals blended red. Blooms Aug.-Sept. Height: 34 inches.

Bagdad Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Doz. \$8.50
Blend of copper-red and orange. Orange center. June-July. Height: 42 inches.

Enchantress Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Doz. \$8.50
Soft yellow. Bleeds to pink in center. Aug.-Sept. Height: 36 inches.

Hyperion Each \$1.10, Three \$2.75, Doz. \$8.75
Very large canary-yellow flowers. Best of all yellow day lilies. July-August. Height: 48 inches.

Imperator Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Golden-red lined with yellow. July-August. Height: 40 inches.

Linda Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Amber-yellow with reddish lines. Petals ruffled. June-July. Height: 30 inches.

Mikado Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Rich orange with mahogany blotch at base of petals. June-July. Height: 36 inches.

Mrs. A. H. Austin Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Deep, large-flowered, golden-yellow. July-Aug. Height: 36 inches.

Serenade Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Doz. \$8.50
Pastel shadings of yellow and pink. June-July. Height: 36 inches.

HEUCHERA (Coral Bells)

They like a rich, moist, well-drained soil, but they'll grow in practically anything. Plant 6 inches apart in the border in clumps of 3, 5 or 7, or use as edging plant. Divide about every third year.

Brizoides, Mary Rose (new) Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$6.00
Spikes about 2 feet, carry clear pink flowers.

Matin Bells Each 95c, Three \$2.35, Doz. \$7.00
Profuse coral-red flowers. Spikes 18 inches high. Blooms June-July.

Perry's White Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$6.00
White bells blending to cream on 18-inch spikes. Blooms June through September if kept cut back. Rock garden plant, too.

Sanguinea Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$6.00
Bright crimson flowers on 15-18 inch spikes.

Best Garden Book

The partners here bought nearly every garden book when they were avid amateurs. The best is America's Garden Book. Its 1250 pages are perfectly organized; there is fine data on plant disease and prevention; it has an index anybody can use. The price \$4.50 from The Farm, plus postage.

Iris

The hybridizers have done wonders with Iris—from the German bearded types to Japs. They have done so well that the big job is selecting the best from the thousands of new ones introduced every year. Where we have used old varieties we have done it purposely; they still are better than the new higher priced ones that are supposed to replace them. On the other hand our Collector Offering (the ones \$3.00 and over per plant) are the introductions that will grow old gracefully.

Culture generally is very simple but remember that a newly planted root will not be sensational its first blooming season — it takes two to three years to establish a planting.

GERMAN BEARDED IRIS

Only one thing to remember—they must have shallow planting. These are shipped only during July and August, the dormant period. They can be bought in bloom in *Easimoves* at The Sales Center in June.

WHITES

- Crystal Beauty** Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
An excellent white with golden beard, 38 inches.
- Damozel** Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
A pure white, ruffled. 36 inches.
- Lady Mohr** Each \$2.50, Three \$7.00, Doz. \$25.00
Huge, slightly fluted oyster-white standards with strong chartreuse falls. Grows to nearly four feet and carries several open blooms at a time. Scarce.
- San Francisco** Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
A mighty fine white. 40 inches.
- Snow Flurry** Each \$1.25, Three \$3.25, Doz. \$12.50
Ice white which means there is a bluish cast. Outstanding. 48 inches.
- Venus de Milo** Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
As you would expect, almost alabaster white and tall—42".
- Wabash** Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
Basically a white-blue bi-color. 36 inches.
- Winter Carnival** Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Doz. \$10.00
White with a gold throat. 38 inches.



PINK SHADES

- China Maid** Each 75c, Three \$2.15, Doz. \$7.50
A mallow—pink, edged gold.
- Ethelwyn Dubar** Each 75c, Three \$2.15, Doz. \$7.50
Orchid self pink.
- Morocco Rose** Each 80c, Three \$2.30, Doz. \$8.00
Largest of all pink toned Iris.
- Pink Satin** Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
A good, clear pink. 40 inches.
- Tokay** Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
Salmon pink. 36 inches.
- Spindriff** Each \$3.00, Three \$8.00, Doz. \$22.50
Translucent shell pink with tangerine beard. 38 inches.
- Mulberry Rose** Each \$1.00, Six \$5.25, Doz. \$10.00
Deep mulberry pink with heavy bronze beard. 40 inches.
- Spark** Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
Brick red. 36 inches.
- Bryce Canyon** Each \$3.75, Three \$10.00, Doz. \$30.00
Red-brown with henna. Scarce. 40 inches.

PURPLE SHADES

- Challenger** Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
A very dark purple. 32 inches.
- Indian Chief** Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
Fine reddish purple. 36 inches

- Sable** Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Doz. \$10.00
The blackest flower you ever saw; call it black-violet. Scarce. 38 inches.
- Thuratus** Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
Highly useable dark purple. 36 inches.
- Master Charles** Each \$ 2.50, Three \$7.00, Doz. \$25.00
Mulberry-purple and lovely. 40 inches.

YELLOW TO GOLDEN SHADES

- Berkley Gold** Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Doz. \$10.00
A clear self-yellow. 32 inches.
- Ola Kala** Each \$1.50, Three \$4.25, Doz. \$15.00
This is a deepest yellow color, the bloom highly ruffled. 38 inches.
- Tiffany** Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
Predominately yellow with maroon overlay. 34 inches.
- Ming Yellow** Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
A dusty chinese yellow that is smooth and rich. 40 inches.

BLENDING COLOR COMBINATIONS

- Clara Noyes** Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
Copper to gold. 32 inches.
- Grand Canyon** Each 75c, Three \$2.15, Doz. \$7.50
Purple to copper to gold. 38 inches.
- No-We-Ta** Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
An old but fine pink blend. 32 inches.
- Prairie Sunset** Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Doz. \$10.00
Pink to apricot to gold and entirely lovely. 36 inches.
- Cascade Splendor** Each \$3.75, Three 10.00, Doz. \$30.00
Heavily ruffled and crimped flower of pink to apricot to tan. 48 inches.

BLUE AND LAVENDER SHADES

- Azure Skies** Each \$1.25, Three \$3.50, Doz. \$12.00
An outstanding light azure blue with a white beard. 34 inches.
- Blue Shimmer** Each \$1.50, Three \$4.25, Doz. \$15.00
The blue is peppered evenly on a white background. Fragrant and outstanding.
- Duke of York** Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
An all-over pale blue.

Great Lakes	Each 75c, Three \$2.15, Doz. \$7.50
Remarkably clear, light blue. 40 inches.	
Los Angeles	Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
Blue-edge white plicata. 36 inches.	
Miss California	Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
Excellent rose-lilac. 36 inches.	
Pauletta	Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
Two fine blues, a bi-color, not a blend. 38 inches.	
Serenade	Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
Light blue-pink although not a lavender. 36 inches.	
Helen McGregor	Each \$12.00, Three \$32.50, Doz. \$125.00
A clear, pale blue and a top iris award winner. 40 inches. Extremely rare.	

IRIS KAEMPFERI (Japanese Iris)

These fine flowers resemble orchids. They are hardy anywhere, must have moisture but should not stand in water. We ship before May 1 or Sept. — Oct. They can be bought in bloom in *Easimoves* at The Sales Center in July. Late planted Japanese iris need a covering of salt hay after the ground has frozen to prevent heaving. Height 24-30 inches.

Betty F. Holmes	Each 60c, Three \$1.75, Doz. \$5.00
Double White. Small yellow zone.	
Circe	Each 60c, Three \$1.75, Doz. \$5.00
Double. Red-violet falls, yellow blotch; styles white, edged purple.	
Malmaison	Each 60c, Three \$1.75, Doz. \$5.00
Double. Deep lavender falls; styles rose-lavender.	
Tsurugi-No-Mai	Each 75c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$6.00
Double. Red-purple, white, gold tri-color flowers reaching 9" in diameter.	
L. S. Ware	Each 60c, Three \$1.75, Doz. \$5.00
Double. Purple with yellow blotch. Styles, white edged purple.	
Shishi-No-Ikari	Each 60c, Three \$1.75, Doz. \$5.00
Double. Dark blue-violet, crinkled. Small yellow zone.	
Ganymede	Each 60c, Three \$1.75, Doz. \$5.00
Double. Rose with violet tints. Small yellow zone.	
Kamata	Each 60c, Three \$1.75, Doz. \$5.00
Single. Deep blue with white radiating veins.	



IRIS PUMILA

These are miniatures (4" high), bloom in April and May. Excellent border or rockery plant.

Atroviolacea	Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
Wine colored, reddish-purple.	
Exelsa	Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
Early yellow.	
Sambo	Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
Very dark violet-blue.	
Schneecuppe	Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
Pure white.	
White Autumn Queen	Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
A white, blooming in spring and fall.	

IRIS SIBIRIA (Siberian)

These are tough, extremely hardy, last indefinitely and grow in impossibly wet ground. But keep their ankles out of water.

Caesar's Brother	Each 75c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$6.00
The best blue—rich black, pansy-violet of great depth. 30 inches.	
Helen Astor	Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
A true rosy-red and most unusual. 20 inches.	

Snow Queen	Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
Prolific white. 36 inches.	

IRIS SPURIA

These are beardless and are the best of all rishome iris for cutting. Flowers last a week or more in water. Hardy anywhere; for best results plant in heavily moist location.

Ochroleuca gigantea	Each 75c, Three \$1.25, Doz. \$5.00
Pure white standards, yellow falls. 40 inches.	
Lord Wolseley	Each 75, Three \$1.25, Doz. \$5.00
Rich violet-blue; yellow spot on each fall. 36 inches.	
Monnieri	Each 75c, Three \$1.75, Doz. \$5.00
A fine, soft yellow. 36 inches.	

IBERIS

(Perennial Candy-tuft)

Require nothing extraordinary in soils. Plant, fall or spring, 6 inches apart.

Little Gem	Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$6.00
Pure white flowers in May. True dwarf, flowers reach 6 inches in height, foliage about 3 inches. Perfect edging plant; excellent for rock gardens.	

LIATRIS

(Blazing Star or Gayfeather)

Thrive in ordinary soils, in sun or shade, can be grown at water-side. Plant in groups of three at back of border. In our opinion Liatris has been neglected by gardeners. Excellent for cutting.

Pynostachya	Each 60c, Three \$1.50, Doz. \$4.75
Bloom July-August. Rich purple flowers, blooming from top down, on spikes 4 feet high.	
Scariosa September Glory	Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Purple flowers all come into bloom at same time (unlike Pynostachya) on 6-foot spikes.	
Scariosa White Spires	Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
White form of September Glory.	

LAVANDULA

(Old-fashioned Lavender)

Needs a dry medium soil and full sun. Protect if planted in the fall. Plant has hoary green leaves, bears its lav-

ender flowers upon spikes in July and August. Dry the flowers for sachets.

Vera Each \$1.25 (supply limited)

Shrubby 18-inch plants. These are all 3-year-old heavy plants, three times the size usually offered.

LUPINUS (Lupine)

Soil is not a problem. Lupine requires lots of moisture, full sun and protection from prevailing hot summer winds. Because they are difficult to move when field-grown we offer strongly rooted potted plants. They will mature the Second year. Plant in bold groups. Shipped only in the fall. *Easimove* lupines at The Sales Center.

Polyphyllus albus Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
White.

Polyphyllus coeruleus Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Yellow.

Polyphyllus carmineus Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Almost red form of polyphyllus.

Polyphyllus roseus Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Rose.

Russell Hybrids Each 80c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Rainbow shades of lavender, blue, pink and yellow. Mixed colors only.

Easimove Lupine Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Doz. \$9.00

PAEONIAS (Peonies)

There are hundreds of varieties of peonies. We have a very simple means of selecting them. First, we grow them; then, if we like them, if the stalk stands straight under the heaviest load of flowers, and if they are rated 9 points or better by the American Peony Society (10 is perfect and no peony has yet been rated at 10), we sell them. Also, we sell only 7-eye roots or better. These cost only double the so-called 3-5 eye roots generally offered, but you usually get flowers the first year—not 3 to 5 years later.

Peonies are of easy culture. They are great feeders, not finicky about soils. Plant (in the fall only) with the eyes 1½ inches below ground. When frozen in, mulch with hay or leaves. No mulching is necessary afterwards. All make delightful cut flowers: when cut in heavy bud they will open and keep a week in water. Never cut more than two-thirds of a bush. Then snip off any seed pods that develop on the remaining stems.

Once established, peonies bloom freely for 25 years or more. On this basis, our strong big roots are a wonderful investment. (Peony Society ratings follow the variety.)

Baroness Schroeder (9.00) 7 eyes Each \$3.50, Doz. \$24.00
Flesh white on sturdy stems. Fragrant. Blooms late.

Duluth (9.00) 7 eyes Each \$4.50, Doz. \$36.00
An outstanding late white. (Supply limited.)

Festiva Maxima (9.30) 7 eyes Each \$2.50, Doz. \$18.00
Large pure white with occasional flecks of crimson at base of petal. Vigorous and early. Very fragrant.

Le Cygne (9.42) 7 eyes Each \$6.00
Large ivory without markings. Very early and fully double. Fragrant. (Supply limited.)

Longfellow (9.00) 7 eyes Each \$4.50
Double midseason crimson. Does not fade. Color intensified by showing of golden stamens in center. (Supply limited.)



Martha Bullock (9.10) 7 eyes Each \$3.50, Doz. \$24.00
Very large flower of old rose pink. Late season. Fragrant.

Mon. Jules Elie (9.20) 7 eyes Each \$3.50
Quite tall free-flowering, light-rose pink.

Myrtle Gentry (9.06) 7 eyes Each \$4.50
Light pink blooms fading to white with age. This is the finest delicate pink. (Supply limited.)

Sarah Bernhardt (9.00) 7 eyes Each \$2.50, Doz. \$18.00
Strong-growing dark pink of medium height.

Solange (9.17) 7 eyes Each \$2.50, Doz. \$18.00
Creamy white with blends of buff and pale salmon pink. Petals dense. It is a late bloomer.

Therese (9.54) 7 eyes Each \$4.50, Doz. \$36.00
Dark pink of medium height.

Walter Faxon (9.30) 7 eyes Each \$3.50, Doz. \$24.00
Midseason light shell pink. Mildly fragrant.

Single Varieties

Albiflora, The Bride (not yet rated) 7 eyes Each \$3.50, Doz. \$24.00
Pure white with rounded stamens.

Helen (9.20) 7 eyes Each \$6.00
Early and most delicately shell pink. (Supply very limited.)

Imperial Red (9.05) 7 eyes Each \$4.50, Doz. \$36.00
Huge dark pink flowers.

Verdun (not yet rated) 7 eyes Each \$4.50, Doz. \$36.00
Very large rich crimson center accented by golden center stamens.

Collectors Peonies

For sale in June, in bloom, are a series of very rare peonies, some fourteen of them. These are strictly collector items. If you are interested you should come to The Farm to see them in bloom. Prices range from \$15 to \$25 each.

HYBRID PEAONIES

These sensational things, of which there are a very few in this world, are catalogued this year for delivery at prices that are more reasonable than the \$30 to \$45 per 3 to 5 eye root that is now current. They are single, early bloomers with color intensities never before obtainable in a peony and impossible to describe. Most are new, unnamed varieties. They are offered mixed only—unless you come to The Farm this spring and pick your color. There will be less than 100 available annually for a number of years. An order now will hold one. The price (3—5 eye roots): \$12.50. Delivery, Fall 1953.



Japanese or Anemone-Flowered Peonies

Ama-no-sode (9.20) 7 eyes Each \$6.00
Very large flower with double row of rose pink petals. Long staminodes of golden yellow, stained red at tips. (Supply very limited.)

Charm (9.22) 7 eyes Each \$6.00
Late blooming dark red. (Supply very limited.)

Kukeni-Jishi (9.09) 7 eyes Each \$10.00
Midseason flesh pink petals. Staminodes form thick tuft of gold in center. (Supply limited.)

PAPAVER ORIENTALE

(Oriental Poppy)

These strong growing poppies, thanks to the hybridizer's science, diligence and luck, now come in an unusual and beautiful range of colors. They are of easiest culture, grow well in any soil but do best in a deep loam. Place crown 3 inches below surface; after frost mulch the first winter to prevent heaving; and after that do nothing.

Barra's White Each \$1.10, Three \$2.75, Doz. \$7.50
Free-blooming pure white with purplish black spots at base of petals.

Beauty of Livermore Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$6.00
Crimson with black center.

Crimson Pompom Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$6.00
Double dark red of medium height.

Helen Elizabeth Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$6.00
Pure pink, no dark spots. 30 inches high.

Mrs. Perry Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Apricot orange tinted with salmon.

Salmon Glow Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Double salmon-orange.

Potted Oriental Poppies Each \$1.75
2-year roots available at the Farm in May and June.

PHLOX DECUSSATA

(Hardy Garden Phlox)

To grow Phlox well be sure soil is well-drained, deep and heavily enriched. Keep in full sun. Water freely under the foliage. It likes its feet wet and its clothing dry. In wet weather dust with sulphur to prevent mildew. Don't plant too close to stone walls—they are damp. Set far enough apart to get good air circulation. Divide the roots every three or four years to keep plants vigorous and flowers large. Destroy all seedlings—they turn to ugly magenta colors and are so vigorous they crowd out named varieties.

Bright Eyes Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
Brilliant red with darker center. Mid-season. 30 inches high.

Charles Curtis Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$5.75
Brilliant sunset red. Does not fade. 30 inches high.

Count Zeppelin Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
Pure white with vermilion-red eye. Mid-season. 30 inches high.

Lillian Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$5.75
Delicate large pink flowers. Mid-season. 30 inches high.

Mary Louise Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
Startlingly white large flowers. Late season. 30 inches high.

Mies Copyn (new) Each 95c, Three \$2.35, Doz. \$7.00
A giant new Dutch introduction—clear pink with carmine center. Rugged.

Salmon Beauty Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
Salmon-pink flowers with white eye. Mid-season. 30 inches high.

Starlight Each 50c, Three \$1.40, Doz. \$4.00
Violet with clear white center. Late season. 30 inches high.

Sir John Falstaff (new) Each 95c, Three \$2.35, Doz. \$7.00
A giant with a rich, luminous salmon-pink color. The individual pips or blooms are nearly 2 inches in diameter.

Von Lassburg Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
Good for the background of a border. White blooms in mid-season on trusses 36 inches high.

White Admiral (new) Each 95c, Three \$2.35, Doz. \$7.00
Enormous white heads with side branches that prolong blooming beyond the normal Phlox season.

PHLOX SETACEA

Camla Each 95c, Three \$2.35, Doz. \$7.00
Pure pink with no trace of magenta. Grows about 8 inches high. It does not creep like other low growing phlox, the plant remains neat and tidy—an endearing quality.

PHLOX SUBULATA

(Mountain or Moss Pinks)

These usable plants have pleasant moss-like foliage and when in bloom are covered with vivid flowers. Most varieties multiply rapidly. Cover bare spots or use as edging or as individuals in the rock garden. They require full sun; soil, dry and sandy and not too rich. Our large pads of each variety can be divided into 8 to 10 plants. (Neighbors' gifts are apt to have magenta colored flowers.)

Alba Each 70c, Three \$1.80
Pure white.

Blue Hills Each 75c, Three \$1.80
Pale blue flowers. Good creeper.

Emerald Cushion Pink Each 75c, Three \$1.80
Bright pink on dark green foliage.

Emerald Cushion Blue Each 75c, Three \$1.80
Blue form of above.

Vivid Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
Bright pink with darker pink eye.

PLATYCODON (Balloon Flower)

Requires a light sandy soil, well drained. Put in full sun. Do not disturb after planting. Once established it is rewarding—colored bells on 20 inch stems are excellent cut flowers and the plants bloom all summer.

Grandiflorum Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Deep blue bells on 20 inch stems. Single.

- Double Grandiflorum** Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
- Grandiflorum Album** Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
White form of the above.
- Double Grandiflorum Album**
Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65

PYRETHEUM (Painted Daisy)

Plant Spring or early Fall in ordinary soil in groups of 3 plants, each about a foot apart.

- Robinson's Crimson** Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Doz. \$5.50
Large, single disc-like flowers of rich crimson. A favorite cut flower.
- James Kelway** Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Very deep scarlet.
- Roseum (Double)** Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$6.00
Deep pink double flowers.



POLEMONIUM (Jacob's Ladder)

A spreading plant, 6 to 8 inches high, with light blue flowers in April. Foliage is good in summer. Prefers light shade and average moisture. It makes excellent ground cover and is good in the rockery or at the edge of the border.

- Reptans** Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Light blue flowers in April and May. 6-8 inches high.

SPIREA (Astilbe)

A good hardworking plant for the border. It throws pleasant flowers in June and July, then bushes out with decorative foliage. It grows anywhere in full sun, in any soil. Use in groups of three in the foreground.

- Avalanche** Each \$1.10, Three \$2.90, Doz. \$8.75
Pure white flowers on 18-inch stems. Deeply cut dark-green foliage.
- Fanal** Each \$1.10, Three \$2.90, Doz. \$8.75
Brilliant carmen-red flowers. Foliage a dark reddish green. 18 inches high.
- Rheinland** Each \$1.10, Three \$2.90, Doz. \$8.75
Delicate pink spires.

STOKESIA (Cornflower Aster)

Prefers sunny, warm and sheltered location in well-drained soil. Plant early autumn.

- Cyanea** Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$5.75
Large, light blue disc-like flowers on 10 to 12 inch stems. Plant itself is dwarf in habit. A September bloomer and welcome in the border at that time.

THYMUS (Decorative Thyme)

(See Herbs for culinary variety.)

These are easily grown, form dense mats ideal for spaces between flagstones. Require full sun and that is about all. We sell large mats that can be divided into 10-15 plants. These are perfect, low growing covers for hot and dry places.

- Serpyllum Album** Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Dense mats of dark green foliage with small white flowers.

- Serpyllum coccineum** Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Extremely dense mats of fine green leaves. Covered with reddish-purple flowers in late June. Evergreen leaves turn bronze in the fall; extremely hardy.

- Citriodoros** Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Doz. \$5.65
Also known as lemon thyme because of its distinct lemon fragrance. Citriodoros grows from 6 to 8 inches tall and is covered with small rosy blooms in June. Like all decorative Thymes it needs full sun. It makes a delightful dwarf border for an informal path. Needs light straw protection in winter to keep stems from drying out.

VERONICA (Speedwell)

A completely untemperamental plant. All you should remember is to cut back faded flowers to promote new bloom and growth.

- Longifolia Subsessilis** Each 85c, Three \$2.10, Doz. \$6.25
Blue-flowering from July to September. Height: 2 feet.

VIOLA CORNUTA (Perennial Tufted Pansies)

Anyone using good soil and plenty of water can grow these heavy bloomers. Pinch them back if they get "leggy"—they bloom at once in spring, stay blooming in hottest August and bloom again until heaviest frost. We grow viola cornuta from cuttings only and each flower is guaranteed to be true to variety.

- Arkwright Ruby** Three \$1.80, Doz. \$4.75
Bright ruby crimson with dark centers.
- Chantreyland** Three \$1.80, Doz. \$4.75
Rich apricot-orange.
- Jersey Gem** Three \$1.80, Doz. \$4.75
Compact violet-blue.
- Lutea Splendens** Three \$1.80, Doz. \$4.75
Chrome yellow.
- White Perfection** Three \$1.80, Doz. \$4.75
Large pure white.

KITCHEN GARDEN HERBS

All these are perennials; all are hardy; all are for eating except lavender. You don't need many plants—this is strong stuff and in cooking use sparingly. Remember, you are after a flavor, not a taste. There are many more herbs but these are the best ones for cooking. Plant them convenient to the kitchen in full sun. They are not fussy

about soils—but in very cold climates give them a light covering of salt hay or straw. (Temperatures in Litchfield go to as low as minus 20 degrees. We have no trouble even when we forget to cover. Yes, we forget things like that, too.)

Lavender

Large plants, each \$1.25

Always in old-fashioned kitchen gardens, though not for eating. Snip when blooms open in May-June, dry them, use them—that's all there is to handling lavender. To grow it you need no special soils and once established the shrubby plants last indefinitely with minimum care. Ours are large bushy 2-year-old plants. (Supply this year is limited.)

Chives

Three \$1.30, Doz. \$3.50

The flower, small purple heads on 10-inch stems, appears in early June and is decorative. Use finely chopped leaves for flavoring salads or hors d'oeuvres. Strong grower, reproduces itself each time it is cut back.

Costmary

Three \$1.50, Doz. \$4.00

Use the whole leaf or chopped leaves to brighten mid-summer lettuce or vegetable salads.

Marjoram *origanum vulgaris*

Three \$1.50, Doz. \$4.00

Use leaves sparingly to flavor soups and gravies. Dry leaves and young shoots for winter use. This is better by far than what is usually sold as marjoram.

Sage

Three \$1.50, Doz. \$4.00

Dry leaves are used for flavoring meats, soups, stuffings, dressings.

Sweet Cicely

Three \$1.50, Doz. \$4.00

A few chopped leaves added to salads and cold dishes give a delightful zest.

Tarragon

Each 75c, Three \$2.15, Doz. \$7.50

This is a basic cooking material in France. Fresh leaves and stalks added to vinegar produce tarragon vinegar. Fresh leaves also are chopped finely and dropped into salads or used to garnish meat or fish. Dried leaves flavor soups and pickles. A kitchen without tarragon is almost in the same boat as a kitchen without salt or pepper.

Thyme (Common, or *Thymus vulgaris*)

Three \$1.50, Doz. \$4.00

Fresh leaves are used in salads; dried leaves are important for meats, soups and gravies.

An Old-Fashioned Kitchen Garden

Three each of Chives, Costmary, Marjoram, Sage, Sweet Cicely, Tarragon, and Thyme. Plus one Lavender.

Twenty-two plants. A \$12.20 value, for . . . **\$10.00**



Gladioli—and Other Non-hardy Bulbs

There are so many new Gladioli bred each year that like Iris the job is one of selection. We are offering Miniatures, a new European giant strain, outstanding in size and color intensity, and selections of the giant American breeder varieties. Glads are easy to grow—plant 4 to 6 inches deep in rows in the vegetable garden (they are not good border plants), water heavily and spray or dust every 10 days with DDT. Plant two dozen every two weeks until July 15 for a succession of bloom.

We particularly call your attention to a Mixture of Giant American Breeders—it includes all the top varieties and we list it first.

GIANT AMERICAN BREEDER GLADIOLI

Mixture

Doz. 95c, 25 \$1.80, 100 \$7.00

No. 1 bulbs of Albatross, Arctic Snow, Black Opal, Blue Orchid, Green Light, Greta Garbo, Helen Hayes, High Finance, Lady Anne, Lavender Prince, Leading Lady, Florence Nightingale and six other varieties, many of which sell for as much as 30 cents a bulb. A mixture of this quality is never offered at these prices and it's all due to a costly mistake in growing last year—a block of these expensive bulbs was not kept true to varieties and got mixed enough so that we dare not sell it as named Gladioli. It will never again be offered, we hope.

Aureole

Six \$1.40, Doz. \$2.40, 100 \$15.75

Light yellow deeply ruffled.

Black Opal

Six \$1.25, Doz. \$2.00, 100 \$12.50

An extremely dark flower, nearly black with deepest red or rose overcast.

Bonfire

Each 60c, Six \$3.00, Doz. \$5.75

Brilliant scarlet.

Burma

Six \$1.25, Doz. \$2.00, 100 \$12.50

Deepest rose, ruffled.

Concord

Six \$1.40, Doz. \$2.40, 100 \$15.75

For those who fancy royal purple.

Cover Girl

Six \$1.30, Doz. \$2.15, 100 \$13.00

As you would expect, a pink.

Florence Nightingale

Six \$1.75, Doz. \$3.00, 100 \$20.00

A heavy giant white.

High Finance

Six 90c, Doz. \$1.75, 100 \$10.00

This late blooming beauty is the best smoky color is indescribable, which should have been its name. Some spikes have grown to 6 feet here.

Lavender Prince

Six \$1.25, Doz. \$2.00, 100 \$12.50

One of the better so-called blue shades. Quite dark.

Leading Lady

Six \$1.25, Doz. \$2.00, 100 \$12.50

Cream colored and outstanding.

Lipstick

Six \$1.40, Doz. \$2.40, 100 \$15.75

Rosey blotch put on light pink, quite unevenly.

Phantom Beauty

Six \$1.40, Doz. \$2.40, 100 \$15.75

A fine light pink of great size.

Spic & Span

Six \$1.40, Doz. \$2.40, 100 \$15.75

Deep salmon-red, ruffled.

Sunspot

Each 60c, Six \$3.00, Doz. \$5.75

Apricot buff with rose blotch at throat.

White Goddess

Each 80c, Six \$4.20, Doz. \$7.20

A ruffled giant white.

GLADIOLI (Miniatures)

The miniature, branching *Gladiolus* is a very desirable flower. It is decorative indoors without being overpowering. The bulbs are somewhat smaller than ordinary No. 1 bulbs but every one of them will produce a spike of high quality. Demand for miniatures, even though many are expensive, is so heavy that we shall be able to fill only a portion of the orders this season. So again order early.

Aria Each \$3.25, Three, \$9.00, Doz. \$30.00

Newest of the deep rose colors. Scarce.

Atom Six \$1.90, Doz. \$3.25, 100 \$22.00

A fine branching red delicately edged silver. It is the most versatile *Gladiolus* ever grown.

Bo-Peep Each 60c, Six \$3.00, Doz. \$5.75

Pleasant buff-pink.

Ethel Theresa Six \$1.90, Doz. \$3.25, 100 \$22.00

White with wine shadings.

Little Gold Each 60c, Six \$3.00, Doz. \$5.75

Deepest yellow.

Little Sweetheart Six \$1.90, Doz. \$3.25, 100 \$22.00

Ruffled pink blooms.

Marionette Each \$2.50, Three \$6.00, Doz. \$20.00

Yellow with red shadings.

Peasant Maid Each \$4.00

A very deep rose. Very scarce.

Silversides Six \$2.00, Doz. \$3.50, 100 \$32.00

Silvery-rose blooms.

Smilette Each \$3.25, Three \$9.00, Doz. \$30.00

Atrociously named lavender-rose.

Starlet Six \$1.40, Doz. \$2.40, 100 \$15.75

An excellent ruffled white.

Statuette Each \$4.00

Yellow with red throat. Very scarce.

GIANT EUROPEAN STRAIN GLADIOLI

These strong hybrids of the famous pink *Gladiolus*, Picardy, were developed in Holland just before the war and have



only recently been introduced here. They are different from all other *Gladioli* we have seen primarily because of their unusually crisp and deep colors. Flowers appear to us to be bigger than flowers on other strains and the spikes are invariably giants. Here is something really fine and different in *Gladioli*. No orders can be accepted on this strain after April 1.

Dirk Bouts Six \$1.40, Doz. \$2.40, 100 \$15.75

Extremely large soft, clear rose with very small carmine spots on one petal.

Else Poulsen Six \$1.40, Doz. \$2.40, 100 \$15.75

A gorgeous pink with as many as eight huge blooms open at a time.

Firedome Six \$1.40, Doz. \$2.40, 100 \$15.75

Velvet carmine—a new *Gladiolus* shade.

Frans Verwilt Six \$1.80, Doz. \$3.10, 100 \$21.00

Clearer lemon-yellow, ruffled.

Josephine Six \$1.80, Doz. \$3.10, 100 \$21.00

Cherry-red without blotches or stripes.

Paul Kruger Six \$1.75, Doz. \$3.00, 100 \$20.00

Brightest pink with clear yellow center.

TUBEROUS ROOTED BEGONIAS

Nothing does quite so well in shade as these non-hardy plants. They start blooming in July and continue throwing great 4 inch blooms until frost. Pot shallow inside in rich soil to start them. Water sparingly until the first leaves show; then keep moist. Stalks are brittle and must be staked if exposed to wind. Plant in masses of color groups on one foot centers. Must be heavily shaded. Bulbs can be used over and over again. Tubs of these *Begonias* can be secured at The Sales Center until July 1.

THE ROSE FORM

Large Tubers Each \$1.50, Three \$4.00, Doz. \$15.00

These are specially selected from beds growing the double *Camellia* types and have a classical rose form. They are in very short supply so please give us substitutes in the following color range: white; shades of dark red; shades of salmon-rose; shades of pink; shades of yellow; shades of yellow-apricot-salmon.

FRINGED AND RUFFLED FORMS

Large Tubers Each \$1.50, Three \$4.00, Doz. \$15.00

These are selected from interbreeding between *Camellia* and *Fimbrata Plena* types. They have such great variations in form and color that we only offer them mixed.

SELECTED NEW SEEDLINGS

Large Tubers Each \$1.00, Three \$2.85, Doz. \$10.00

For the connoisseur we have a few selected new seedlings, each really a new variety. This is a grab bag of beauty for those who want a completely different flower.

CRISPA (Single Crested Varieties)

Top-size Tubers Each 40c, Three \$1.10, Doz. \$4.00

Vari-colored flowers, 4 inch or more in diameter, in profusion. Shades of white, scarlet and crimson, salmon, rose, yellow.

FIMBRIATA (Double Frilled Varieties)

Top-size Tubers Each 40c, Three \$1.10, Doz. \$4.00

Double flowers of great size, frilled and fringed at the edges. Shades of white scarlet and crimson, salmon, rose, yellow.

CAMELLIA (Double Varieties)

Top-size Tubers Each 40c, Three \$1.10, Doz. \$4.00

Great double *camellia* blooms of rare beauty. Shades of white, scarlet and crimson, salmon, rose, yellow.

LLOYDI (Hanging Basket)

Top-size Tubers Three \$1.10, Doz. \$4.50, 100 \$30.00

Weeping or hanging form which does well in shady window boxes or hanging baskets. Flowers are borne in clusters in great profusion. Mixed colors only. Plant three to a basket or pot.

MULTIFLORA BEGONIA

Top-size Tubers

A European development which produces masses of smaller flowers instead of fewer big ones. They withstand heat and direct sunlight better than the other types and are therefore useful for color masses in a half-shaded border but they do best, as all begonias do, in heavier shade.

Helen Harms Each 45c, Three \$1.25, Doz. \$4.50
Clusters of soft yellow flowers.

Irene Eysser Each 45c, Three \$1.25, Doz. \$4.50
Clear light pink clusters.

Flamboyante Each 45c, Three \$1.25, Doz. \$4.50
Rich scarlet red blooms.

Mme. Richard Galle Each 45c, Three \$1.25, Doz. \$4.50
Copper-colored blooms.

DAHLIAS

The following are pompoms or miniatures. They do not require staking, all make excellent cut flowers.

White Fawn Each 60c, Three \$1.50, Doz. \$4.80
Pure white prolific and early miniature. 3 to 4 feet high.

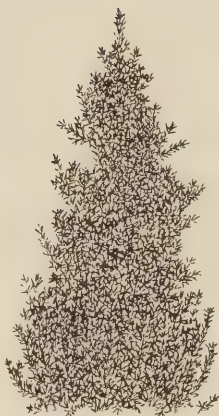
Snowclad Each 60c, Three \$1.50, Doz. \$4.80
Free blooming white pompom.

Yellow Gem Each 60c, Three \$1.50, Doz. \$4.80
Excellent clear yellow miniature.

Glow Each 60c, Three \$1.50, Doz. \$4.80
Brightest fire-engine-red pompom.

Bishop of Landaff Each 75c, Three \$1.85, Doz. \$6.90
Reddish-bronze peony-flowered miniature.

A. D. Livoni Each 60c, Three \$1.50, Doz. \$4.80
Bright shell-pink pompom.



THE NEEDLE-TYPE EVERGREENS JUNIPERUS (Juniper)

Junipers are valuable ornamentals; most grow slowly; they thrive in sandy-loam soils in full sun.

J. chinensis pfitzeriana. Pfitzer's Spreading Juniper. Slightly larger than most spreading types. Gray-green plume-like foliage, useful as a filler in foundation or border planting. Very hardy, indifferent to drought.
1.5 to 6 feet, \$6.00 to \$35.00 each.

J. communis depressa plumosa. The Andorra or feathery type Juniper. Turns bronze in the fall.
1.5 to 4 feet, \$6.00 to \$25.00

PINUS (Pine)

Their stout roots seek water in almost impossible sandy soils; they thrive in good soils. Specimens of all hardy varieties can be obtained for customers interested.

P. montana mugho. The extremely hardy, slow growth dwarf pine. Mounded with short stubby needles.
1 to 2 feet, \$5 to \$10.00 each.

TAXUS (Yew)

Rich and dark green color, hardiness, freedom from disease and slow, rugged development make this one of the best evergreens. Taxus stands heavy pruning and is adapted to nearly every kind of landscape requirement.

T. cuspidata. The Japanese spreading Yew bearing bright red berries in the fall. Responds to shearing but is at-

Evergreens and Ornamentals

Here is a collection of Evergreens, the Broadleaf and Needle types. It contains the best of the Yews, Hemlocks, Arborvitae, Junipers, Holly and Rhododendrum — mostly slow-growing, hardy landscape material. This stock is of highest quality, scarce and in heavy demand.

(Note to local customer: to get priority send us your order as follows: "Evergreens—to be selected by May 15". Then enclose payment for approximately one-half the sum you think you will spend this spring on this kind of planting material.)

All evergreens are balled and burlapped, and Needle types, because of weight, can rarely be shipped economically. Broadleaves can be.

tractive when developed naturally. Excellent hedge, border or foundation stock. Does well in partial shade.
1.5 to 4 feet, \$5.00 to \$35.00 each.

T. cuspidata capitata. The Japanese pyramidal Yew. Its dark green foliage is covered with red berries in the fall. For formal plantings, for hedges or as specimens.
2 to 6 feet, \$9.00 to \$50.00 each.

T. cuspidata nana. The dwarf Japanese Yew. Irregular and spreading in growth. Very compact. For low hedges in formal plantings or as a specimen.
1 to 3 feet, \$8.00 to \$35.00 each.

T. media hicksi. Also called Hicks' Yew. Upright columnar shape with exceptionally dark green needles. Bears red berries profusely.
1.5 to 5 feet, \$6.00 to \$50.00 each.

THUJA (Arborvitae)

Ornamentals of narrow pyramidal habit. Favorites in formal gardens. Make excellent large hedges and beautiful windbreaks.

T. occidentalis globosa. Globe Arborvitae. Compact, globe-shaped variety maintains shape without trimming.
1 to 3 feet, \$4.00 to \$15.00 each.

T. occidentalis nigra. Dark American Arborvitae. Fast growing, hardy pyramidal tree.
2 to 5 feet, \$5.00 to \$20.00 each.

TSUGA (Hemlock)

Used as lawn specimens they attain great size and beauty; by shearing they can be used as foundation planting and kept from over-growing indefinitely; for borders or screens they are perfect backgrounds. Hemlocks thrive in shade better than most other evergreens.

- T. canadensis.** Canadian Hemlock. Will make maximum growth as specimen to 100 feet. Perfectly hardy.
2 to 8 feet, \$8.00 to \$30.00 each.

BROADLEAF EVERGREENS

These include the hardy Holly, Mountain Laurel, Coton-easter, Daphne cneorum and, of course, Rhododendron. They are used either in foundation plantings or in the flowering shrub border.

MOUNTAIN ANDROMEDA

- Pieris floribunda** \$4.00 to \$5.00 each.
Mountain Andromeda is a dense slow-growing shrub reaching a maximum height of about six feet. Slow growth and broad, dull green leaves are its great assets, not the small white flowers in spring. Grows in shade.

AZALEA (The Hardy Mollis)

Azalea Mollis is a plant of gorgeous variety and beauty; it is very hardy; and, contrary to popular belief, it does not require an acid soil. All Azalea Mollis wants is a respectable soil, an occasional top dressing of well rotted cow manure (or dried cow dung); it does not require an inordinate amount of water. Mollis does well in shade but prefers full sun. Do not cultivate deeply as the fine root mass is very close to the surface.

To get blooms in profusion year after year pick off the pods before seeds mature. If planted where temperatures go below 10 degrees minus, tops should be covered to prevent buds from blasting. We are sorry, but we are behind on deliveries with some of the named varieties. We suggest, though, that you order now for future delivery. (These shipping plants are 15 to 18 inches high. Larger plants available at The Farm.)

- Chevalier de Reali** Each \$2.75, Three \$7.75, Doz. \$27.50
Large flowers of pale lemon-yellow. Available 1953.
Comte de Gomer Each \$3.00, Three \$8.50, Doz. \$32.00
A soft red shading to shrimp pink. Available 1953.

- Directeur Moerlands** Each \$2.75, Three \$7.75, Doz. \$27.50
Soft pale yellow shading somewhat to apricot-yellow.

- Dr. M. Osthoeck** Each \$2.75, Three \$7.75, Doz. \$27.50
Brilliant fiery azalea-pink with a soft almost burnt-orange glow.

- Koster's Brilliant Red** Each \$3.00, Three \$8.50, Doz. \$32.00
As named, a brilliant, vermilion-red.

- Mixed Varieties** Each \$2.00, Three \$5.75, Doz. \$20.00
These run the gamut of Azalea shades—amber, salmon-orange, copper, gold, yellow, flame-red, etc. Ultimate height runs from 3 to 6 feet. Shipping stock is three years old; it has flower buds and some will bloom a bit the first season.

AZALEA PONTICA

(Hardy Ghent Azaleas)

These are even harder than Azalea Mollis but their blooming time, soil requirements and general habit of growth are the same. Their special merit, besides extreme hardiness, is the unusual range of colors in the group. While the flowers are not as large as Mollis, they have equal brilliance and to many fanciers their variations of tint are more spectacular. Plants offered are 14 to 18 inches high with flowering buds.

- Bouquet de Flore** Each \$3.00, Three \$7.75
Brilliant clusters of deep pink.

- Daviesi** Each \$4.00, Three \$11.00
Almost white with traces of pink.

- Nancy Waterer** Each \$3.00, Three \$7.75
Clusters of golden yellow.

- Sang de Gentbrugge** Each \$4.00, Three \$11.00
The most vivid and brilliant red you ever saw.

ILEX (Holly)

There is only one hardy Holly, Convexa, and it is as hardy as an oak. It is a choice evergreen with shiny boxwood-like leaves so thick the branches don't show. (It does not have the conventional Christmas Holly leaf or red berries—that Holly is not hardy.) Convexa is a very bushy plant—it grows 4 feet high and about 3 feet across. It can't be beat as an accent plant and it is ideal for small evergreen hedges. Each plant is shipped with a small ball of earth.

- 12 to 15 inches Convexa** Each \$4.00, Three \$11.00

HYBRID RHODODENDRONS

These hybrids do not require shade, they do just as well in full sun. They do, however, require an acid soil—load it heavily with peat moss and leaf mold. When ordering these named hybrids, please specify color wanted—they come in shades of deep rose-pink, soft rosy lilac, crimson, white, lavender, bright red. Plant them in banks and either mix colors or keep three of a shade together.

- Named Hybrids, 12-15 inches** \$4.00
(Larger specimens at The Sales Center.)

ORNAMENTAL TREES

Trees for shade and flowering trees are a necessity in any landscape. Herewith some of the best and most popular ornamentals. Other trees, Birch, Beech, Oak, Plane, Lindens, etc., can be procured through The Farm in any size.

ACER (Maple)

- A. Platanoides Schwedleri nigra.** Crimson King Maple.
(Patented) This European origination is a brilliant crimson throughout the season.
6 to 8 feet, \$10.00 each.

CORNUS (Flowering Dogwood)

- C. florida.** America's native flowering tree. The white form. Needs southern exposure in windy, very cold locations to keep buds from blasting.
2 to 5 feet, \$5.00 to \$15.00 each.
C. florida rubra. Rose-red form of the above.
2 to 5 feet, \$6.00 to \$15.00 each.



HAWTHORNS

(Crataegus Oxyacantha)

The English Hawthorn is a completely hardy flowering shrub or small tree with spreading branches and stout spines. Left unclipped it will grow to about 15 feet and is ideal for the small lawn where a Maple would be too big and throw too much shade. Large clusters of flowers are produced in tremendous quantities in the spring and are followed by scarlet fruit.

Autumn Glory Each \$5.50, Three \$15.00

Big clusters of white blooms followed by berries of brilliant red which stay well into the winter.

Paul's Scarlet English Hawthorn Each \$4.00, Three \$11.00

A brilliant rosy-red, double-flowering variety.

PRUNUS (Almonds & Peaches)

This group of extremely floriferous small trees is of remarkable beauty, highly recommended for the small plot, and all are hardy.

P. Iceberg Each \$2.00, Three \$5.75

Pure white double flowering Peach. Prune back to 8 inches after flowering. Plant only in spring. Prices above are bare root only.

P. Pink Charming Each \$2.00, Three \$5.75

Double rose-pink flowering Peach. Treat as above. Prices bare root only.

FLOWERING ALMOND

Glandulosa Alba Each \$2.25, Three \$6.25

Small, very double white rosettes of flowers in great profusion in late April and early May. Ultimate height: 4 to 5 feet.

Glandulosa Rosea Each \$2.25, Three \$6.25

Very double, rose-colored form of the above.

MAGNOLIA

Soulangeana

The rather rare Pink Magnolia of city gardens. It is a small tree, perfectly hardy, that produces shining green foliage after it is covered with enormous pinkish-white, slightly fragrant flowers in early spring. It is the showiest and best of the family for northern gardens and even one plant will dominate a garden or a city block when it becomes sizable. 3 to 6 feet; \$7.50 to \$15.00 each.

MALUS (Flowering Crabs)

Among the small flowering trees, the Crabs are by far the most sensational group—they stand alone in profusion of bloom, only the ornamental cherries are close to them. None equals them in hardiness or in ability to bloom in exposures that blast the buds of more delicate flowering trees.

With the exception of Bechtel's Crab, which at maturity is a 15 to 20 foot double-flowered beauty, we list only the dwarf varieties. Even the smallest yard can support one—fence lines on farms or estates planted with Crabs on 25 foot centers become tree lines of rare beauty in a few years. (All stock for shipment is three years old and trees generally bloom a year after planting. Older trees, balled and burlapped, are priced according to size but can be obtained only at The Farm.)

Crimson Brilliant

Each \$7.00

A most brilliant red flowering crab. It becomes more and more floriferous as it grows older; is of extreme hardiness and can be grown anywhere. Upon maturity it reaches about 15 feet, about the limit for small gardens. It is a new variety and the supply is very limited. Only the earliest orders can be filled. (Plant Patent #939.)

Floribunda Hilleri

Each \$5.00

This new English origination replaces older Floribunda. The flowers, nearly an inch in diameter, are semi-double and of crimson color in the bud. They open to bright pink and cover the tree with heavy clusters of bloom. It's a late bloomer. Ultimate height is from 10-12 feet.



loensis plena (Bechtel's Crab) Each \$3.00, Three \$8.50

A fully-double crab which was discovered about 1850 in the Mississippi River Valley and brought into cultivation by a man named Bechtel. Its fine round head is covered with pale pink blossoms about 2 inches in diameter, each double and exactly like small roses, each with a delicate violet scent.

Kaido or Fragrant Crab

Each \$5.00

When fully grown Kaido is upright, almost pyramid in form. It is not much more than 4 feet wide and matures at 8-10 feet. In the bud it is rose pink and blooms open to rich clear pink. Blooms are deliciously fragrant.

Pink Weeper Crab

Each \$3.50, Three \$9.75

A splendid specimen plant for the lawn which grows from 12-15 feet high. The weeping branches, covered with crimson-purple blossoms, droop to the ground. Shipping plants 4 to 5 feet.

SALIX (Willow)

French Pussy Willow Each \$1.25, Three \$3.50, Doz. \$12.00

Not the unreliable wild Pussy Willow but a fine French cultivated variety. You see branches of these selling in florist shops for \$5.00 a dozen during the later winter months. So grow them yourself. Cut the ends of branches in January or February and place in water indoors. The large, silver-pink catkins (1 to 2 inches long) will start unfolding shortly and will last in a cool room for two weeks. When planting cut the branches back to 6 inches to promote long, vigorous new canes. Keep pruning heavily each spring (after catkins have formed) or Salix will grow to 10 feet.

GARDEN GADGETS

Forks, hoes, rakes, spades or what common garden tools you need—we don't have them. Buy them from your favorite hardware dealer; he has as good as we can get. Over the years we have found few special-purpose garden tools that lived up to their promotions. Here are the ones we recommend.

Dutch Hook

Each \$2.75

This is the small, forged, sharp weeder the Dutch use for hooking weeds out of daffodil and tulip rows. We use it for all kinds of close weeding. It has an 18-inch handle—you have to stoop. No one else has this tool.

Krasco Hand Grass Seeder

Each \$4.95

A small hand tool working on the principle (centrifugal) of big farm tractor seeders. It will spread Bent and Bluegrass evenly and at the same time—something no \$15 hand-pushed seeder will do. Also, it is the only seeder that will distribute our Special Lawn Grass Seed, mostly a mixture of Fescues.

Flowering Shrubs

More and more gardeners are planting more and more flowering shrub borders. They are extremely valuable for screening, take a minimum of care and are a truly permanent planting. Careful selection will provide bloom throughout the summer.

Planting: Dig a hole (placing the topsoil on one side) 8 to 10 inches wider and deeper than you need to accommodate the roots. Place the plant. Put the topsoil in the bottom of the hole. When all the topsoil has been used, water thoroughly. Then finish with the subsoil and leave a dish of earth about 18 inches in diameter with a 6-inch rim. Fill with water—and fill at least once a week during the first summer. If you live nearby you might want *Easimove* shrubs—they've been grown in their own ample tarpaper pots. They have heavy root balls; won't know they have been moved.

ALTHEA

(Rose of Sharon)

These shrubs grow erect and stately and formally—in formally they bloom their heads off from July to frost. Ultimate height is about 10 feet.

Balile de Feu Each \$1.75, Three \$4.75
Double bright-red and a heavy bloomer.

Celestial Blue Each \$1.75, Three \$4.75
This variety with single, disc-like blue flowers produces heavily.

Lucy Each \$1.75, Three \$4.75
A double rose-red flower.

W. R. Smith Each \$1.75, Three \$4.75
Large disc-like white flowers that open flat. It is the only showy white variety.

BUDDLEIA (Butterfly Shrubs)

An eminently satisfactory shrub that makes a quick growth and blooms the first year. Buddleias do not show signs of growth until late spring or until the weather has become quite warm—so don't worry if they don't leaf out quickly. It is true that butterflies are attracted to them. These are the newest varieties.



other flowering shrubs—from August until frost. It is covered with clusters of powdery-blue, fringed flowers. The plant is a nice rounded mound upon maturity—from 18-24 inches tall and about 2 feet in diameter. Foliage is lanceolate and silvery green. In very cold climates *Caryopteris* tops kill back to the roots. This doesn't hurt the plant at all—the new growth is luxuriant and it blooms heavily. We offer the variety *Blue Mist*.

Strongly rooted plants . . . Each \$1.50, Three \$4.00, Doz. \$15.00

CLETHRA ANIFOLIA

(Sweet Pepperbush)

A slow growing shrub reaching a height of not over 10 feet upon maturity. The leaves are two-toned green and quite lovely; they turn to bright clear yellow in autumn. It does best in low, wet places (or in moist uplands) and because it grows well in half shade it is an excellent shrub for naturalizing.

18 to 24 inch plants \$1.75

COTONEASTER

(The Queen of Shrubs)

Let it be said that it is one Queen of Shrubs and perhaps the Chinese were somewhat over-enthusiastic in calling it The Queen. It is outstanding, however, for the rich colors of its autumnal foliage and for the conspicuous clusters of berries ranging in color from brilliant orange-scarlet through varying shades of red to black. They are preceded by a profusion of pinky-white flowers wreathing the small branches. Because they thrive in shade or sun, in damp or dry soils, they are extremely usable.

Apiculata Each \$2.50, Three \$7.00, Doz. \$25.00

This so-called Cranberry Cotoneaster is a dwarf reaching about 4 feet in height. Its arching branches are weighed down with bright crimson fruit in the fall and its foliage is shiny green throughout the year. Hardy.

Divaricata Each \$2.50, Three \$7.00

Grows from 5 to 6 feet high and has a graceful spreading habit. It has small polished green leaves and thousands of red egg-shaped berries. In the fall the leaves turn brilliantly.

Fortune Each \$1.25, Three \$3.50

Neat habit of growth—about 5 feet high, 4 feet across. Foliage is a dark, leathery green. Flower spikes are 12-18 inches long and rounded. Color is lilac with a brilliant orange eye in each tiny flower. Blooms from mid-summer to frost. Excellent cut flower.

Flaming Violet (Pat. #519) Each \$1.25, Three \$3.50

A violet color of great intensity. Blooms until frost and keeps a long time when cut.

Fascinating Each \$1.25, Three \$3.50

Here the color is a soft pink with a touch of gold in the eyes. Keeps in water and the more it is cut the more it grows.

Peace (Pat. #705) Each \$1.25, Three \$3.50

A pure white. It's new. A favorite of ours.

Purple Prince (Pat. #706) Each \$1.25, Three \$3.50

A sparkling, imperial purple with a golden eye.

White Profusion (Pat. #786) Each \$1.25, Three \$3.50

A dwarf. Makes a stunning green mound (diameter: 3 feet) studded with shortish white spikes. Fits perfectly in the perennial border or is useful as a specimen anywhere.

CARYOPTERIS

(Hardy Blue Spires)

This is a low-growing shrub which blooms after most

"Sorry, out of stock" we sometimes write.

We are sorry, too, but in a business like this, devoted to raising only top quality plants, it's inevitable that a crop, not coming up to standard, gets plowed under instead of being shipped.

CYDONIA (Flowering Quince)

This is one of the earliest blooming shrubs. Quince stand alone as specimen shrubs or, trimmed, they make excellent hedges. Ultimate height reaches 6 feet. The first two varieties offered are hybrids. Stock is extremely limited on these two.

Charming Each \$3.50, Three \$9.75, Doz. \$35.00

Large, soft shell-pink flowers deepening in color at the tips of the petals. It's an orderly plant reaching a height of 6 feet at maturity. Shipping plants are about 2 feet and will show some bloom the first season.

Knaphill Scarlet Each \$4.00, Three \$11.00, Doz. \$40.00

This is an English origination, a dwarf—eight-year-old specimens are not more than 18 inches high and about that measurement in width. In early spring, Knaphill Scarlet is a small mound of big vermillion-red flowers. It's perfect for foreground planting and low hedges.

Nivalis Each \$4.00, Three \$11.00

This is the best pure white quince.

Stanford Red Each \$3.50, Three \$9.75, Doz. \$35.00

The buds open Geranium-red and deepen to blood red. It is excellent for cutting and it is almost thornless. Ultimate height 6 feet. Shipping stock is about 2½ feet high and most will blossom their first season.

Spitfire (Patent #830) Each \$4.00, Three \$11.00

This excellent plant grows upright to 6 or 7 feet but it can be held down to 4 or 5 feet by clipping twice a year—no side pruning is necessary. Flowers are large and of deep crimson-red. Shipping stock is nearly 3 feet high and most will bloom the first season. Note that "most"—it's hard the first season to depend upon a shrub called Spitfire.

Japanica Each \$3.00, Three \$7.50

This is the old favorite. It is covered with masses of coral-red flowers and recommended because it is cheap for screening or hedging.

DAPHNE CNEORUM

Cneorum is also known as The Garland Flower because of the profusion of delicately-scented, rose-pink flowers it produces. It is a low, spreading shrub which hardly ever reaches more than 12 inches in height. A splendid edging plant—like all Daphnes, it prefers full sun and a well-drained soil. They will not grow in poorly drained locations. Water sparingly in summer; and in winter, if protected from the coldest weather (say 20 degrees below), the cool green leaves will remain evergreen.

Heavily budded plants, 9-12 inches tall:

Each \$2.00, Three \$5.75, Doz. \$20.00

DAPHNE SOMERSET

(Plant Patent #315)

This is a relatively recent English origination—hardy practically anywhere and does well in light shade. Its blooms, a blush pink, come in May and early June in clusters 6-8 inches long that are wonderfully fragrant. If left unclipped it grows to a height of 5 feet and will reach a width of about 4 feet. The leaves, resembling those of Boxwood, are evergreen except where temperatures are extreme. It grows best when transplanted while young and we offer potted plants which usually will bloom the first year. Much larger Daphne Somerset plants growing in big tarpaper pots can be obtained at the Sales Center.

Young potted plants: Each \$2.50, Three \$7.00, Doz. \$25.00



DEUTZIA

All Deutzias are showy flowering shrubs having extremely bushy habits of growth. In May their heavy foliage almost completely disappears under a blanket of small, frilled, bell-like flowers.

Gracilis

Each \$1.50, Three \$4.00, Doz. \$15.00

This variety seldom reaches a height of 3 feet and is excellent as a low hedge. It is covered in May with flowers of purest white and it tolerates light shade.

Crenata Suspensa Each \$2.00, Three \$5.75, Doz. \$20.00

A new hybrid producing larger, single, snow white flowers. It grows to 4 feet and makes excellent mid-ground material for the shrub border.

EUONYMUS

This is the most versatile and easiest grown of shrubs. It has uses everywhere.

Radicans vegetus Each \$2.00, Three \$5.75, Doz. \$20.00

Trimmed, it can be grown as a shrub or hedge; left uncut and planted around the base of old trees, it will climb 30 feet or more, densely covering the trunk. As a wall cover it is in a class with ivy. You can't eat it but that's about all you can't do with it. It is evergreen and absolutely hardy. 15 to 18 inch plants.

Alatus compactus Each \$2.50, Three \$7.00, Doz. \$25.00

A dwarf (ultimate height 6 feet) with unbelievable brilliance of foliage in the autumn. It requires nothing special in soils, does well in shade, is of compact growth—all the requirements for the ideal hedge. As specimen plants in the lawn or shrub border (or in foundation plantings) they have no equal.

FORSYTHIA-SPRING GLORY

This is the Bush that grew in Brooklyn—the common varieties are everywhere and although they are quite beautiful, Spring Glory is so much more beautiful that we urge you to get it instead of accepting a chunk of root from a common variety from an obliging neighbor. Spring Glory produces twice as many flowers as common Forsythia. Also, the blossoms are larger and of a pale yellow that is more pleasing than the usual citrons. Like ordinary Forsythia, branches cut and brought indoors during January and February burst into bloom a few days later.

3 to 4 feet: Each \$2.25, Three \$6.25, Doz. \$22.50

FORSYTHIA-LYNWOOD GOLD

This is a splendid new Irish origination that will undoubtedly replace all Forsythias of deep yellow color. Branches are erect and profusely covered with golden blossoms of unusual size. Supply limited this year.

2-3 feet Each \$2.50, Three \$7.00, Doz. \$25.00

HYPERICUM

There are several varieties of this fine low-growing shrub that flowers brilliantly from early summer until stopped by frost. They make excellent specimen plantings in the

perennial border or in the foreground of shrub plantings. We list only "Sungold"—it just happens to be the best *Hypericum* and we've forgotten about the others.

"Sungold" (Patent #518)

Each \$2.50, Three \$7.00, Doz. \$25.00

Hardy, shapely and a true dwarf. It is almost perfectly oval, grows 2½ to 3 feet in diameter, holds its height to about 24 inches. Its dense foliage is a fine green all summer. Blooms are cymes of golden flowers at the end of each shoot of the summer's new growth. They are produced in tremendous quantities all summer.

KALMIA (Laurel)

As you know, Mountain Laurel is Connecticut's State flower; it grows wild here and in profusion. Most plants offered for sale are snatched out of the woods and few of them are well formed. We grow them from tiny seedlings, well-spaced, to get their natural and beautiful spreading heads. We also propagate from seeds taken from natural and unusually beautiful hybrids in the woods. Our supply of saleable plants is very limited and at this time we are behind in filling orders. However, we suggest that you place your order now for future delivery—you will be given priority.

15 to 18 inches, \$2.75 each 18 to 24 inches, \$3.50 each

KOLKWTZIA AMABILIS

(Beauty Bush)

A favorite of pink bell-shaped flowers in June. It tolerates poor or dry sandy soil and is of easiest culture. The foliage is heavy and covers the plant to the ground. Height, 8 feet.

Each \$2.25, Three \$6.25, Six \$12.00

LONICERA

(Honeysuckle Bush)

Tatarica Alba

Each \$1.50, Three \$4.00, Doz. \$15.00

An upright but spreading shrub bearing white flowers in late May and June. Fragrant. An excellent shrub for screening as it reaches 10 feet.

Tatarica Rubra

Each \$1.50, Three \$4.00, Doz. \$15.00

Similar to above with pale pink flowers.



LILACS (The French Hybrids)

If you like the old-fashioned lilacs (and who doesn't) you'll certainly want these lovely things. The hybridizers have been working with them, particularly the great French horticulturist Lemoine, and Lilacs are now works of art. The trusses are huge and many varieties make excellent cut flowers. All of these new Lilacs come into bloom at a much younger age than the old ones. If your planting space is large enough you'll want one each of these.

Ambassadeur

Each \$3.50, Three \$9.75

Broad spikes of very large single flowers of azure-lilac lightened by a conspicuous white center.

Esther Staley

Each \$5.00

This is the only pink lilac to date. Buds are red, flowers single. It is a fine and rare plant. Midseason. 2 to 3 feet. (Patented).

Etna

Each \$4.00, Three \$11.00.

Deep claret-purple single flowers. This is the closest approach to red we have seen.

Marie Finon

Each \$4.00, Three \$11.00

Trusses covered with immense double flowers of purest alabaster white.

Waldeck Rousseau

Each \$3.50, Three \$9.75

Another double pink, this of most delicate tone.

PHILADELPHUS (Mockorange)

Atlas (Giant Mockorange)

Each \$2.50, Three \$7.00

It is the flowers that are giants, not the plants, although they will attain a considerable size if not pruned. The huge blossoms (3 inches across) are as large as Dogwood blooms and they make excellent cut flowers—so you will prune. *Philadelphus* is hardy, requiring no special culture.

Enchantment (Double)

Each \$3.00, Three \$8.50

Its branches are erect and on maturity the bush rarely grows over 6 feet. The flowers, set very closely, are double and sweetly fragrant. It will grow well in light shade.

Innocence

Each \$2.50, Three \$7.00

An alabaster-white mockorange producing heavily. Flowers are delicately fragrant. Height at maturity is about 6 feet.

POTENTILLA FRUITICOSA

(Gold Drop)

We call this a mighty fine small shrub. It has compact growth, a slightly irregular mound-like shape about 2 to 2½ feet upon maturity. It is densely covered with small fernlike leaves and it blooms vigorously from early June to late October. The buttercup-like flowers are intensely golden yellow and literally stud the plant. It does best in full sun and is hardy below zero. It is a consistent and persistent flowerer and if spaced 12 inches apart it makes the most delightful low, flowering hedge you can imagine.

Heavy-rooted Plants Each \$2.00, Three \$5.75, Doz. \$20.00

VIBURNUM

One of the most fragrant and beautiful shrubs. After flowering in the spring they make heavy mounds of dark green clear to the ground and in the fall they turn brilliantly.

Burkwoodi

Each \$5.00, Three \$14.00

This new English hybrid is a most amenable plant—it thrives in sun or shady places. It is also low-growing (6 feet upon maturity) and ideal for today's smaller establishments. Flowers are produced in early spring when leaf buds are unfolding and form round, domed clusters which are fragrant enough to perfume a neighborhood. Foliage is shiny dark green in summer; turns brilliant in autumn. Shipping-size plants 2 to 3 feet. Larger specimens in Easimove pots available at the Sales Center.

Carlesl

Each \$5.00, Three \$14.00

Flower domes are, of course, as fragrant as Burkwoddi although slightly smaller. It, too, is very hardy and easily grown. Carlesl reaches 10 feet upon maturity and when planted close on a line makes a sensational screen or big hedge.

ROSA MULTIFLORA (The Living Fence)

This fencing material is primarily for farmers or for estate owners who have need for permanent fences. Plant it 1 foot apart and in three years cattle or sheep cannot get through it. Plant on 6-inch centers and not a hog can pass. It grows 8 feet high, spreads 8 feet. Roots, however, do not spread. For its purpose, permanent fencing, it is perfect. We no longer offer bare-root, seedling stock—too many people have difficulty with it. We sell only heavily-rooted, potted cuttings from selected stock.

25, \$5.00; 100, \$16.50; 500, \$75.00; 1000, \$125.00

SPIREA

A fine group of shrubs that are sun-loving but able to withstand almost any abuse in location and soil condition.

Japanica Coccinea Each \$2.00, Three \$5.75, Doz. \$20.00

This replaces the older variety Anthony Waterer. Its flowers are crimson-red. It blooms in July, normally a bare month for blooms in shrubbery. The color does not fade in the sun and if old flowers are cut off it will continue to bloom all summer. Coccinea reaches 3 feet in height.

Vanhouttei (Bridal Wreath)

Each \$2.00, Three \$5.75, Doz. \$20.00

An arching shrub growing about 5 to 6 feet. The slender branches are covered with panicles of white flowers in late May and early June. It is not new but it is a favorite.

YOUR LAWN

Don't think that all there is to a nice lawn is fine-grading the site, planting the grass, watering it and mowing it. Maintaining a good lawn requires care and money—lots of both—and if you haven't the time and don't want to spend the money, the best advice you can take is to just cut the natural grass (and weeds) you can't keep from coming up, anyway.

On the other hand, if you are after a deep velvety turf follow these directions.

New Lawns

Be sure you have six inches of topsoil; topsoil rich in humus (old manure dug in). Don't fool around testing it for acidity—put on 25 pounds of lime per 1000 square feet. (Too much



lime will give you too much clover.) Rake in the lime, and water the area. Don't be in a hurry about seeding—you want the freshly dug soil to settle. Then put on 50 pounds of 0-10-10 commercial fertilizer. (This means you have no nitrogen, except that already in the soil, but you do have plenty of phosphorus and potash for root and body strength.) Rake it finely and water the area some more.

After you can't stand the look of the barren ground any longer rake it lightly. Then seed. Put the seed on so thickly that the formerly barren ground looks as if it had been heavily salt-and-peppered—like a lamb chop. Then, and this is important, drag it. Drag it lightly about three times, round and round and up and down. This will cover 80 percent of the seed to the proper depth—the rest will be too deep or on the surface but you can't do anything about it. Then roll it. (Don't worry about foot marks or indentations; they can be filled in later.) And keep it damp. Cut it when grass is about 3 inches high and set your mower as high as it will go. (The seed to use? If you don't buy ours, buy what is sold as "Shady Lawn" seed. These mixtures contain better grasses than run-of-mill or so-called sunny-location grass mixtures.)

At this point all you have is a very young lawn. It should be cut three times a week and your mower should never be set lower than 1¾ inches—the latter is better. Do not pick up the cut grass. You'll get some crab grass the first July but don't worry about it. After the fall rains start, sprinkle the grass with about 5 pounds of seed per 1000 square feet. Then take a bamboo lawn broom and rake the whole area hard. Roll, and if the rains fail, keep wet. This will give you thousands of vigorous, small seedling grasses.

Early the next spring use 25 pounds of Milorganite to 1000 square feet. (Use a "potato" fertilizer if you can't get Milorganite or some other organic material.) By early we mean just after frost or before the grass gets green. Then use three pounds of seed per 1000 square feet, broom and roll as above. The next August follow the same procedure and roll every spring and August thereafter.

Quite a job, isn't it? But your reward is a deep, velvety lawn and we thought that was what you were after.

About Old Lawns

An old lawn can be refurbished without digging it up. The trick here is to seed, broom and roll spring and August year after year. (Fertilize each spring and seed spring and fall.) If broad-leaved plants like dandelion and plantain are present dig them out or kill with 2-4-D.

Notes on Crabgrass

Crabgrass is no problem on a well-kept lawn. Heavy, benign grasses give Crab no room to get started—an annual, it does not germinate until late June or July. It is shallow-rooted and simply cannot get started in a thick lawn. In our opinion Crabgrass killers (some do actually kill it) are a waste of time and money—they cannot substitute for properly kept grass and cost more than a good lawn in the long run.

SPECIAL GRASS SEED

This mixture is composed mostly of the Fescue race—tough, hardy, creeping, shade-resisting grasses. They withstand drought better than most grasses, are not attacked, like some, by fungus diseases. The mixture is available only in the spring and as we stock small quantities it would be best for you to place your order now for spring delivery. As we sell out by June 1st it would be a good idea to order enough for your annual late August seeding. Use this mixture sparingly but consistently. It is expensive stuff and unless you are after a fine turf you'll do better with hardware store mixtures.

5 lbs. \$13.75, 10 lbs. \$22.50, 25 lbs. \$49.50

About Green Thumbs

There has been a lot of talk over the ages about people with green thumbs. According to the talk, a person with a green thumb can put a stick in the ground and it grows. Fact is this green thumb talk is an old wives' tale.

There is no trick to growing plants. Any garden book brims with advice and so do the Sunday supplements. The danger is that a beginner may get too much advice. So seek little of it; remember that garden soils needn't be perfect (they can be built up), remember about sunlight (most plants require it), about watering (when it's dry)—and care (spray and weed). Don't cultivate too much because it's bad on the plants and your back.

Two partners here never had grown a flower before 1939 but shortly flowers were coming out of their ears. They looked at their thumbs often; never found them green. Quite dirty at times, though.

CONDITIONS OF SALE (Please Read Before Ordering)

By Mail Order (Please order early.)

1. Plants are sold only as quoted. If a per each price is not quoted, no offering of the material is made on that basis.
2. Remittances must accompany order unless an account has previously been set up. Please use checks, money orders or bank drafts—never cash. If you live in Connecticut the 2% sales tax must be added.
3. Transportation charges are not included in the purchase price. Small parcels will be sent Parcel Post prepaid and we will bill the postage to you at a later date. Most parcels (White Flower Farm's plants and shrubs are generally larger than material usually offered by catalogue) are sent express collect.
4. Due to high labor and packaging costs a service charge of 35 cents must be added to all orders under \$5.00.
5. We ship all plants, roses, shrubs and bulbs at a time when they are best planted in your locality. Because some plants can only be transplanted at specified times two or three shipments may be required to fill your order.
6. The replacement policy of White Flower Farm is liberal. The majority of our customers are advanced gardeners who know how to take care of flowering material and as a consequence we have very little replacing to do. However, if a shipment reaches you damaged or in bad condition (the date it leaves The Farm is plainly marked on each package) please let us know at once. It will be replaced immediately. All other complaints or problems should be brought to our attention within 30 days, if possible.
7. When reporting errors in orders (and we make some), please give DATE OF ORDER and ORDER NUMBER. Helps us find it faster. And please include your name and address—there are a surprising number of people who forget this.
8. We reserve the right to reject orders for field-grown bare root material if, in our opinion, the distance or delivery time is so long

that this premium stock might suffer deterioration in transit. Parcel post and express service are about half as good as they were pre-war and this sharply restricts shipment of field-grown stock like Delphinium, Columbine, Lilacs, etc. Potted plants (like Chrysanthemums) are not a problem and generally can be shipped safely anywhere.

9. We urge you to permit us to substitute if material is sold out and cannot be back-ordered for planting the next season. We will send you the nearest variety to the ordered material, taking particular care that color and season of bloom are the same and that habits of growth are similar. Substitutions cause no particular difficulty in bulbs or flowering plants. We will not substitute in the flowering shrub and small tree category but will back-order the material or refund your money.

At the Sales Center

1. Material that must be dug for you in the gardens is sold only as quoted herein. If a per each price is not quoted, no offering of the material is made on that basis. All other plants, shrubs, roses, and bulbs are sold as marked in The Sales Center.
2. We dig for "carry-away" bareroot orders only on Monday and Friday. These orders are ready for Tuesday and Saturday. This is a necessary and inflexible rule (applying to both retail and wholesale accounts) during the busy spring and fall seasons. The planting of next year's crops must go on without interruption.
3. Orders requiring digging must be paid for in advance.
4. No replacements can be made on *Easimove* plants unless we are notified within two weeks. They are healthy, vigorous material when purchased from The Sales Center and failures with them are rarely traced to the plant.
5. No replacements can be made on cut flowers bought at The Sales Center. They are guaranteed to be not over 24 hours old and have been specially conditioned for at least 12 hours in our refrigerator.



